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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship "SOCOTRA," 1,947 Tons, 220 H.P., Commander J. Witherell, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 3rd September 1874, at 4 P.M.

September 1874.			September 1874.		
Leaves BOMBAY			Leaves Tuticorin		11
„ Ratnagherry	4	„	Colombo		12
„ Vingorla	4	„	Galle		13
„ Goa	5	„	Negapatam		15
„ Carwar	5	„	Pondicherry		17
„ Mangalore	7	„	Madras		19
„ Cannanore	8	„	Cocanada		21
„ Tellicherry	9	„	Visagapatam		22
„ Calicut	8	„	Bimlipatam		22
„ Beypore	9	„	Gopalpore		23
„ Cochin	9	„	False Point		24
„ Aleppy	10	Arrives at CALCUTTA			26

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussrah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GHAUNDA, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSSREH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s. s. PUNJAUB, 1,080 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. R. Gavin, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th August, 1874, at 2 P.M.

August 1874.			September 1874.		
Leave BOMBAY		26	Leave BUSSREH		16
„ Mormugao		31	„ Mahomerah		16
„ Guadur		31	„ Fao		16
„ Muscat		Sept. 2	„ Koweit		18
„ Bunder Abbas		6	„ Bushire		20
„ Linga		6	„ Linga		23
„ Bahrein		8	„ Bunder Abbas		25
„ Bushire		10	„ Muscat		27
„ Fao		10	„ Guadur		28
„ Mahomerah		11	„ Mormugao		Oct. 2
Arrive BUSSREH		11	Arrive BOMBAY		4

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the Monsoon despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every WEDNESDAY, at 2 o'clock, and an extra steamer on every Saturd-y at the same hour.

The Steam-ship "KURRACHEE," 810 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander T. Nalle, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd August 1874, at 2 P.M.

The s.s. PUNJAUB, 1,080 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. R. Gavin, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th August 1874, at 2 P.M.

The s.s. PENANG, 686 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander J. Hennessy, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 29th August 1874, at 2 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. Rubattino & Co., Genoa.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 24th on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS, RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.		2nd Class.		3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	.....	£15	.....	£4	
Suez	35	.....	22	.....	6	Including Wine. Without food.
Port Said	38	.....	24	.....	9-10	
Alexandria	39	.....	25	.....	9-10	
Messina	50	.....	34	.....	14	
Naples	50	.....	34	.....	14	
Leghorn	50	.....	34	.....	14	
Genoa	50	.....	34	.....	14	
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)	52	.....	36	.....	14-10	

Children under 2 years, free of charge. Children not above ten years, half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

"INDIA," to sail on TUESDAY, 1st September 1874.

"PERSIA," to sail on THURSDAY, 1st October 1874.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For further terms of information, rates of freight, &c. apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9 Hummum Street.

Bombay, 1st January 1874.

JEMSEDJEE NOWROJEE,

CABINET MAKER & GENERAL MERCHANT,

KALBADEVEE ROAD,

BOMBAY,

Begs to invite the attention of LADIES and GENTLEMEN to his large stock of Carved and Plain Blackwood and Teakwood and Gold Gilt Furniture for Drawing-room, Dining-room, Bed-room, Offices, Messes, Camps, Clubs, &c., &c.

IRON BEDSTEADS, Iron Baby's Cots, Cradles, Folding Chairs, Folding Bedsteads for Travellers, Brass Tube Rocking Chairs, Rocking Horses of all sizes.

ENAMELLED PIERS, in best double gilt frames, Dressing Looking-glass s, mahogany and marble top.

ENGLISH PERAMBULATORS of one, two and four seats, Wooden and Tin Tubs for bath-rooms, Hoat Bath Tubs Foot Tubs and Cans.

CARRIAGE and BUGGY LAMPS, Police Hand Lanterns, Round Hanging Globes, plain and flowered, Argand Hanging Gl bes, pla ed and bronzed Kerosine Hanging Lamps, Camera Glo es, Pictures in frames, Travelling Portmanteaus of all sizes and descrip ion.

MILLINERY.—Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Kid Gloves, Straw Hats, Dresses, Ladies' Boots, Children's Straw Hats, Cloaks, Pe-ak Hoods, Caps, &c. &c., Air Pillows, Beds Hair Brushes, Tooth and Nail Brushes, Combs, Sponges, Scented Soaps in boxes a d hars, Scents, Children's Toys, Sewing-meat Bottles, &c., Marble Toys, Flower Vases, Bird Cages. Children's Boots and Shoes.

CROCKERIES.—Dinner sets, Breakfast sets, Wine Coolers, Electro plated Inspitchers, and other sundries &c., Cut Tumblers, Glasses, Wine Mugs, Beer and Whisky complete sets, &c.

CRE ONNES, CHINTZ, REPS, DAMASKS, VELVETS, plain and flowered, of all colours and description, Gimps, Fringes, Cords, silk and woollen, for furniture, &c., Carpet Foot-stools, Carpet Rolls and Border s, Carpets in pieces, of sizes, Tea Trays in sets.

SINGLE and DOUBLE HARNESSES, Saddles, Whips, &c., &c., Feather Pillows, large China Pans, China Coffee and Tea Canisters, China Mats, Rattan Chairs.

RAILWAY RUGS, Table Covers, Copper Kettles round and oval-shaped.

JUST RECEIVED, by s.s. ARIEL, from London, Brass Canopies, Tents, Tent Beds, Child's Beds, Swing Cots and Reclining Chairs, Iron Stretcher Beds, Swing Cots, Tents, &c., of all sizes.

J. N. further begs to state that he would be glad to receive orders for making furniture of every and any description, and according to any kind of pattern sent to him with instructions.

J. N. also undertakes to Repair, Re-line and Polish (French) carefully all sorts of Furniture, &c, either at the residence of Customers or in his Establishment, if forwarded.

The large patronage J. N. has been favoured with throughout this Presidency, and having furnished from his Establishment, Furniture and Goods of various descriptions to European Ladies and Gentlemen, as well as to His Highness the Holkar of Indore, the Begum of Bhopal, the Raja of Rutlam, the Princes of Kattywar, and many other Native Chiefs, J. N. hopes for a continuance of their kind support.

PURVEYING AND GENERAL AGENCY.

—Mr. E. Manockjee is respectfully thanking his numerous Constituents, both in Bombay and Outstations, for the patronage and support they have hitherto so kindly extended to him, and solicits the continuance of that support in both the supplying of their daily requirements as well as that of every necessaries, such as Clothiery, Furniture, Crockery, Wines, &c.

Receiving and Despatching Packages to and from Europe and India.

Chowkeet Market.

SHIPPING.

VIA SUEZ CANAL.

On Friday, the 28th August, 1874, at 3 P.M., from Masagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. KHEDIVE 3,242 Tons, and 600 H. P., Captain J. D. Steward, will leave for Southampton, as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Suez, Brindisi, Venice, Marseilles, &c.

No Cargo can be received on Board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Cargo for Liverpool will be forwarded either direct or by steamer to London, or Southampton, and thence by rail or steamer.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Masagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labeled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Masagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

F. D. PARKER,
Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 21st August 1874.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Monday, the 24th August 1874, at 3 P.M., from Masagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. TRAVANCORE, 1,900 Tons and 400 H.P., Captain Chas. Anderson, R.N.R. will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on Board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged with the Company's Office before noon, on Friday, the 21st August.

F. D. PARKER, Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 19th August 1874.

STEAM TO KING GEORGE'S SOUND, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

On SATURDAY, the 22nd Aug., at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's steam-ship GOLCONDA, 1,909 Tons, and 450 H.P., Captain J. C. Almond, will be despatched as above, calling at Galle.

For Freight or Passage apply to

F. D. PARKER,
Acting Superintendent, P. & O. Co.

3, Rampart Row, 20th August 1874.

P. AND O. S. N. COMPANY.

SOUTHAMPTON LINE.

By the s.s. HYDASPES, sailing on the 21st instant, and every alternate Week's Steamer thereafter, PASSENGERS will be BOOKED for BRINDISI, VENICE, but NOT for MALTA, GIBRALTAR, or SOUTHAMPTON.

F. D. PARKER,
Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 19th August 1874.

WM. WATSON & Co.,

23 APOLLO STREET, BOMBAY.

PARCELS, CASES, &c., SENT TO ENGLAND and all other parts of Europe for Re 1 and upwards according to size, for delivery at address free of all charges.

HOME and OTHER REMITTANCES EFFECTED at favourable rates of Exchange.

PASSAGES by Steamers and Ships secured.

PASSPORTS, SOVEREIGNS, and other REQUISITES for Travellers procured.

GOODS, STORES, WINES, &c., SUPPLIED from Stocks here or from England.

PERSONAL, FINANCIAL, and GENERAL AGENCY business conducted.

Every information will be given on application, either personally or by letter.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

On MONDAY, the 24th instant, Messrs. at 2 P.M., MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public auction at their Rooms, on account of the concerned, a quantity of Grey Piece Goods, Twist, &c.

Ex s.s. Ithuriel—15 Bales damaged Grey Shirtings 7 lbs.

10	„	Ditto	..... 6 lbs.
5	„	Ditto	..... 9 lbs.
10	„	Ditto	..... 9 14/16 lbs.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 22nd August 1874.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,

No. 4, FORBES STREET.

WEEKLY SALE.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public auction, at their Rooms, a large quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, &c., &c.

Per s.s. Ithuriel, W M—I—19 Bales of slightly damaged Grey Shirtings, 11-lbs, 8½ lbs.

Per s.s. Ithuriel, s.s. 42 bales of Grey Shirtings 8½ lbs. damaged by salt water.

AT 1 P.M.

A handsome fast-trotting Grey Mare, height about 15-1½, quiet in harness.

A Bay Brougham Horse.

A second-hand Shigram.

A Grey Gallo way.

A strong serviceable Buggy.

A light English-built Brougham.

AUCTION SALE of valuable hand handsome Household Furniture, Plated, rich Crockery and Glassware, a handsome English-built Open Carriage by Silk & Sons, a bay Arab Horse, &c., at No. 33, Marine Lines, (E pl nade.

On TUESDAY, the 25th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to public auction, at his residence at the above-mentioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, plated, glass, and porcelain ware, &c., the property of Mr. Cooper, Esq. The same comprises rich engr ved star cut glassware, handsome dinner and dessert services, plated coffee urns, superior sherry and claret, richly carved seasoned blackwood furniture (made to order), such as a set of camp table in 4 pieces, sideboard, wants, English pattern dining-room chairs, circular and pier tables with scarb tops, easy and drawing-room chairs, conversation sofas, handsome centre ottoman all covered with rich French figured velvet, rich Persian drawing-room carpet, handsome plated double and treble light hanging argand lamps, a splendid English couch, washing tables with marble top and pier glass, horned hatstand, handsome richly carved and English iron extra size four-post bedstead Chesparia couch, handsome mahogany dressing and washing tables with marble tops, mahogany toilet glasses, clothes and gown presses, wardrobe, child's cots, glass-door cupboard, screens dispense articles, and a number of other sorts, sets of English plated mounted single and double harness, pigeon hou e with pigeons, a large iron water tank, &c. &c.

AT 2 P.M.

A handsome English-built 4 seated Open Carriage by Silk and Sons.

I ditto fast-trotting Bay Arab Carriage Horse.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view from Sunday, the 23rd instant.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE DIAMONDS.

On WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at their Rooms, a few parcels of very valuable brilliants:—

One parcel containing	2 large brilliants weighing			2½ carats.	
One	ditto	12	ditto	ditto	2⅜ ditto
One	ditto	10	ditto	ditto	2⅛ ditto
One	ditto	24	ditto	ditto	5⅝ ditto
One	ditto	2	ditto	ditto	1 ditto

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome Household Furniture Plated, Glass, and Porcelain Ware, a First-class Grand Square Piano by Broadwood and Sons, a full-toned Harmonium, a light Buggy, Horse, &c., at No. 11, Elphinstone Circle, opposite to Messrs. Wheatley, Madden and Co's. Office.

On SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at 1 p.m., Mes rs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his Residence, at the above-mentioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, plated, glass, and porcelain ware, piano, harmonium, buggy, horse, &c., the property of Captain Clark, changing his residence.

Full particulars will be given hereafter. Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and richly open carved Blackwood Household Furniture, Elkington's Plated ware, rich Crockery and Glassware, a handsome English-built Open Carriage, a pair of Handsome fast-trotting Bay Arab Carriage Horses, &c., at No. 6, Marine Line, Esplanade.

On MONDAY, the 7th proximo, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Carriage, Horses, &c., the property of the late Colonel W. Scott.

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 22nd August 1874.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,

2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

USUAL AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms:—

10 cases Grey Shirtings, 6, 7 and 8 lbs.

2 cases Grey Ubetties.

3 „ Prints.

W—M 1—13 bales No. 70 damaged Water Twist.

1 case Europe Cayenne Jelly Mould, Sauce Pans, Tea Kettles, Fewter Plates, Egg Boilers, Cake Pans, Plate Covers, &c.

AUCTION SALE of valuable Landed Properties on Breach Candy Road, by order of the Mortgagee, and on account and risk of the mortgagor, Chinvuntrao Bhasker Joree pursuant to the power of sale contained in a Mortgage of the aforesaid properties.

Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will submit to Public Auction on the premises on the properties hereunder specified on two days on WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of August,—Lot No. 1 at 2 P.M., and Lot No. 2 at 3 P.M.

Lot No. 1.

All that piece or parcel of ground, with the dwelling-house and out-offices standing thereon, situate on the East side of Gingoom or Breach Candy Road without the Fort of Bombay, in the Subdistrict of Bhoolehwar, registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Nos. 6 and 679, containing by admeasurement 722 square yards or thereabouts and bounded on the East by the property of Ladoo Nanjeen, on the West by Breach Candy or Gingoom Road aforesaid, on the North partly by the house of the late Crushoee Sutarin Naikeen and partly by the house of Wittoba Manadey, and on the South by the house of the late Balkrishna Cashinathji, and which said dwelling-house and premises are assessed by the Collector of Asse sment under No. 533, and in the occupation of the Mortgagor and his tenants.

Lot No. 2.

All that piece or parcel of ground, with the dwelling-house and premises standing thereon, situate at Pallow and Breach Candy Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the sub-district of Bhoolehwar, registered by the Collector of Land Rev nue under No. 48, containing by admeasurement 396 6-9 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by the property of Abrasam Balcrishna; e, on the west by Pallow or Breach Candy Road aforesaid, on the north by the property of Shroocrutna Juggonathjee, and on the south by the house of Hanoohanker Sunderjee, and which said dwelling-house and premises are assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 810, and occupied by Bhoi Gowi-djee, a tenant to the Mortgagor.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to the Undersigned, at his Office, No. 11, Oak Lane, within the Fort.—Dated this 11th day of August 1874.

JANARDHUN GOPALL,
Attorney for the Mortgagee.

SALE OF SUPERIOR MOULMEIN TEAK SQUARES AND SCANTLINGS.

On SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Tank Bunder:—

200 Tons superior Moulmein Teak Squares.

Also, at the premises of the Bombay Saw Mills Company, Limited, at Tank Bunder: a quantity of Mid-Sawn Timber in well assorted lots, suitable for many varieties of work, and in lots to meet the requirements of small as well as large purchasers.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 22nd August 1874.

SALES BY AUCTION.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & COMPANY,

No. 13, APOLLO STREET.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, in Apollo Street, No. 13—

A quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, such as Grey Shirtings, T. Cloth, Madapollams, Jaconets, Scarfs, Dhottees, Chintz, &c., &c.

Also; blackwood carved furniture, comprising carved circular table, silk damask lining conversation, reclining, s.fa, and half a bed couches, carved chiffonier, pier tables, drawing-room, arm, and without arm, easy, and cane chairs, card and work tables, office writing table, round teacops, chest of drawers, presses, glass door cupboard, foot stools, large partition screen, water filter, hat stand, China mattings, iron cots, pictures in maple and gilt frames, glass and crockeryware, leather dressing bags, swimming belts, English wall pegs, &c., &c.

Aution sale of valuable Household Furniture, Plated Glass and Porcelain Ware, a Sh gram, Bycicle, &c., at Lower Colaba, opp site the Old Telegraph Office.

On MONDAY, the 24th inst., at 1 p m, Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place the handsome household furniture, &c., the property of a gentleman (chaug ng his residence), the same comprises rich cut flowered glassware, dinner, breakfast and dessert sets, plated hotwater curry dishes, epe gues, ice-pitchers, cruet, pickle, and egg frames, teapot, hotwater tea-kettle waiter, bread basket, toast rack, a set of plated spoons and forks, table and chamber candlesticks, cutlery, &c., a set of camp dining table, sid board, dining room chairs, wh-tnots, [illegible] carved convex [illegible] and reclining couches, drawing room, easy and pradieu chairs, ch [illegible], hatstand, English ornament stands, rich carpets, a dou le light hanging argand lamp, pic ures flower vases, table ornaments, a single hanging table and reading lamps, a fourpost bedstead, camp cots, dressing and wash-hand tables, clothes press, chest of drawers, towel horse, and dispense articles, plants, &c.

AT 2 P.M.

One Shigram.
One Bycicle.
No Catalogues, and the property is now on inspection.

AUCTION SALE of very costly and elegant, elaborately carved and solid Mahogany Household Furniture, plated glass and porcelain ware, rich real oil paintings, and proof sheet Engravings and other pictures, &c., at No. 34, Lemon Tree Lane, Street, opposite the Nawab's Tank, Dockyard Road, Mazagon.

Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co have received instructions to sell by public auction, on MONDAY, the 31st inst., at 1 p.m. at the abovenamed place, the very valuable, well-seasoned carved blackwood, walnutwood, and solid Mahogany Household Furniture, &c., the property of a gentleman [illegible] (changing his Residence); the same comprising solid Mahogany drawing-room, oblong and circular tables, damask lined drawing-room and easy chairs, Mahogany and various ornamental tables, well seasoned teakwood carved sofas, and blackwood carved Devan couches, an English-made solid walnut wood revolving circular table, elegantly carved chiffoniers, sofas and round corner pays, a solid Mahogany Calcutta made rockfast table for 12 persons by Curtis and Co., a Mahogany Devonport Lady's writing-able, solid Mahogany circular backed and revolving Chairs, rich English Brussels carpets, a correct going 8-day clock by "J. French," Royal Exchange, London, with a handsome Mahogany case, a Rosewood cottage Pianoforte, by "John Brinshmead," London, a carved solid Mahogany almirah with Chubb's lock and key, rich carved sheet engravings of the Royal Highnesses the Princes and Princess, and Her Majesty the Queen, valuable oil paintings on canvas, photographs of eminent personages, a handsome real Chinese gilt enamelled sugar jar on carved stand, dishes, of blackwood camp dining table, screens, horned hatstand, dressing and washing tables, glasses &c., rich Bohemian vases and soapstone ornaments, olid ebony Ceylon-made elephants, alabaster busts and vases, pairs of plated hanging and table argand lamps with drops, plated table and chi ben ca diesticks, with shades, cruet and pickle frames, icepitcher, salver, a mahogany case containing best plated king's pattern spoons and forks for 12 persons, a mahogany case containi g German silver fiddled knives and forks for 24 persons, cut glass ware, a set of best crystal glass decanters, water craft, cut glass oval trays, dishes, handsome breakfast and dessert sets, pairs of frosted flower globe lamps, garden seats, a set of new plated mounted single harness, one lot to order, also two sets of old harness, a choice collection of English standard works, and other valuable books, &c., &c.

Catalogues of the full particulars will shortly be published, and the property will be on view from Tuesday, the 25th inst.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co.

Bombay, 22nd August 1874.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

PASSENGERS by Rail or Boat arriving in Bombay will find full and accurate information regarding every ROUTE to TRAVEL from this City to other parts of India and abroad, in the "INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE," published at the *Bombay Gazette* Press on the 1st of each month. This "Guide" is the only one published in Bombay, and containing alterations in the service of Trains and Steamers on this side of India corrected up to date. The "Guide" has an excellent Railway Map of India, and an Introduction giving much useful information to Strangers staying a week or two in Bombay.

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The BOOKSELLERS,
The BOMBAY HOTELS, and
The PRINCIPAL RAILWAY STATIONS.

BOMBAY CRICKET CLUB.—The GAME ENGLISH versus THE WORLD will commence at 1-30 P.M., punctually, TO-DAY.

THOS. H. MOORE,
22nd August 1874. Honorary Secretary.

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.—The COMPETITION for the St. GEORGE'S MEDAL will take place on MONDAY, the 31st. Instant, and TUESDAY, the 1st September. Play to commence both mornings at 6-15 sharp.

H. W. JONES,
Honorary Secretary and Treasurer.

21st August 1874.

A GENTLEMAN occupying a commodious and comfortable BUNGALOW in a very desirable locality is anxious to meet with TWO or THREE GENTLEMEN to form a CHUMMERY. The Bungalow is most pleasantly situated and has extensive accommodation, compound, and stabling, besides a splendid "admiuton Court (covered). For further particulars apply to X., care of "Bombay Gazette."

THE BANK of BENGAL will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, on account of COCOANUT HOLIDAY.

For the Bank of Bengal,
G. W. MOULTRIE, Agent.

Bank of Bengal, Bombay, 21st August 1874.

NEW BANK OF BOMBAY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that the Bank, Her Majesty's Treasury, Public Offices, and Government Savings Bank will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, on account of COCOANUT HOLIDAY.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. FRASER,
Offg. Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 20th August 1874.

MAPS OF INDIA.

FOR SALE, at the "*Bombay Gazette*" Office, a number of MAPS of INDIA similar to those which are incorporated in the *Indian Travellers' Guide*.

PRICE TWO ANNAS.

THE COLABA SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a THIRD CALL of Rupees (250) Two Hundred and Fifty per Share of this Company has been made by the DIRECTORS, at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 34, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, on or before MONDAY, the 7th day of September 1874, after which date Interest will be charged at the rate of Annas 12 per cent. per mensem.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
NURSEY KESSOWJEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 19th August 1874.

BRUNTON'S PATENT EXTRACTOR.—NOTICE.—All right of the FRAMJEE COWASJEE PATENT PRESS COMPANY to my Patented "Extractor" EXPIRED on the 31st ULTIMO, and I am ready to receive offers for licenses to use the same, within the limits of the Town and Island of Bombay, for the time, 3½ years, during which my Patent rights will still remain in force.

All licenses granted by the F. C. P. P. Company will have no effect from the above date, and persons holding them are warned against continuing to use my "Extractor" without being duly licensed to do so by myself alone.

A liberal reward will be given by me for information leading to the conviction of any one infringing my Patent, against whom proceedings will be instituted in the High Court without further notice.

My Agents are Messrs. JAMES MACKINTOSH and Co., Bombay, through whom all Communications should be made.

GEO. BRUNTON, M. I. C. E.

IN THE COURT FOR THE RELIEF OF INSOLVENT DEBTORS, BOMBAY.

In the matter of MIRZA MAHOMED HOOSEEN MISHKEE, adjudged Insolvent.

Whereas a Petition by DAVID FINLAYSON, the Agent in Bombay of the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China, for adjudication in Insolvency, verified by the affidavit of the said David Finlayson, was filed in this Honourable Court on the twenty-ninth day of July last, and whereas the said Mirza Mahomed Hoosein Mishkee has been this day duly adjudged Insolvent under section nine of the Indian Insolvent Act 1wenty and twelve Victoria, Chapter twenty-one. It is ordered that all the real and personal estate and effects of the said Insolvent be vested in the Official Assignee of this Honourable Court from the twenty-ninth day of July last; and that the said Insolvent do within thirty days from this date, file in my Office a Schedule in the form in Schedule C, to the said Act annexed. —Dated this 19th day of August 1874.

T. B. FERGUSON,
Clerk of the Court.

Court House, Clerk of the Court's Office, Fort, Bombay, this 20th day of August 1874.

FIRE INSURANCE.

	Exclusive of Reserve Fund.
THE LONDON AND LANCASHIRE FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL ..... Rs.	10,000,000
THE TRANSATLANTIC AND REINSURANCES INSURANCE CO., CAPITAL. „	2,000,000
THE BATAVIA FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL ..... „	3,000,000
THE SAMARANG FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL ..... „	2,000,000

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THE SWISS LLOYD MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL ..... Rs.	2,000,000
THE REINSH WESTPHALIAN MARINE LLOYD MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL „	3,000,000
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R. R. Mege & Co.'s Red Seal ... „	20 „
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CHAMPAGNE—Ruinart pere and fils ..... Pts. „	23 „
Do. ..... Qts. „	45 „
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Do. do. „	11 „
CLARET—R. R. Mege & Co.'s St. Estephe. „	14 „
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Also, Messrs. PLASKET & Co.'s WINES, formerly consigned to Messrs. ANTROBUS & Co.:—

SHERRY, ... Rs.	25 per dozen.
Ditto ..... „	15 „

EWART, LATHAM, & Co.

Bombay, 21st August 1874.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

PREPARED HORSE FODDER, Rs. 5 per cwt., 16 candles, 85 tons. Lofty and commodious Stables and Compound. Horses, Harness, and Carriages received on Commission Sale. F. Bier's Repository, Queen's Road, Chowpatty, Assistant Wanted, security required. Horses, Horses fed by contract.

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WANTED, a SURVEYOR and DRAUGHTSMAN; must be a neat hand; temporary or permanent. Apply "M. E." Office of this Paper.

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NOTICES.

THE ANGLO-INDIAN SPINNING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY (Limited).

TO BE INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANY'S ACTS, 1862 AND 1867.

CAPITAL £300,000, IN 29,985 ORDINARY SHARES OF £10 EACH, AND 150 FOUNDERS' SHARES OF £1 EACH.

To be issued in 150 Founders' Shares of £1 each, to be paid in full on allotment, and 29,985 Ordinary Shares of £10 each, of which £1 is to be paid on application, £2 on allotment. The remainder is to be called in calls of not more than £2 per share at not less than one month's Notice. It is proposed to allot the entire Board of the Ordinary Shares to India. It is not intended that any Shares shall be issued for less than par. Scrip will be called for the Shares as soon as practicable, but it requires time in the manner above stated.

DIRECTORS.

JAMES BARLOW, Esq. (Chairman), Manufacturer, Croft House Accrington.
JAMES SWINDELLS, Esq., Cotton Spinner, Lees, near Manchester.
SAMUEL OLDKNOW

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY EVENING, 21st AUGUST, 1874.

THE Liverpool Cotton Market yesterday closed quiet, Surats heavy, sales 15,000 bales, spot quotations being unchanged. This morning's report is again quiet but unchanged, probable sales 12,000 bales, imports 2,000. In New York Mid. Uplands is quoted at 16¼ cents, while futures are ⅛ to ¼ cent per lb. lower. From the nature of present advices it is evident that the steadiness apparent of late has been entirely due to the decreasing stocks of American, but whether this will lead eventually to an advance in prices must in a great measure depend on the reports of the growing crop. That a greater difference must shortly be made between Fair Dhollera and Mid Orleans seems highly probable, and unless adverse crop advices are received during the next few weeks Surats appear likely to suffer from increasing supplies.

There was no material change yesterday in the general produce markets, and quotations for Rupee Paper were also unaltered.

The Bank of England return for the week is very favourable, the proportion of the reserve to liabilities having increased from 43¼ to 47 per cent. This in conjuction with the fact of a further payment of £94,000 into the Bank yesterday, and discount on 6 months' sight Indian bills being quoted at 3¾ per cent. may be taken as indicating a probable further reduction in the Bank rate at an early date.

Consols this morning are still quoted at 92¼; French Rentes at 99[illegible]. Bar Silver at 58d.

[illegible] has shown increased firmness [illegible] Calcutta advices, and we [illegible] on demand 1s. 10⅛d; 6 [illegible] credits, 6 months' sight [illegible] documents, 6 months [illegible] On Calcutta we have [illegible] transactions but parts [illegible] may still be quoted for demand [illegible] Paper [illegible] downward tendency [illegible] and a half Rs. 104½; [illegible] Rs. 104¾.

In the SHARE MARKET there is nothing special; new. There is no [illegible] of business doing and with few exceptions rates are lower.

COTTON is quiet but steady. Exporters are still buying very sparingly, as [illegible] stocks are steadily reduced, and dealers consequently show less pressure to sell. The receipts from up-country during the week have been 3,470 bales.

FREIGHTS are very dull. For steamers 12 2-6 is asked, but very few engagements are being made at the rate, and with the small quantity of cotton shipping there seems little likelihood of an advance. By the Boldon, sailing vessel, the nominal rate is £2 7-6 per ton.

PIECE GOODS are quiet and unaltered in value.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value per sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash value per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	9 p.ct.	Agra Bank	52
72,000	1,000	all	12p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,420
40,000	500	all	12p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	770 x.d.
15,000	500	250	12p.ct.	Do 2nd Res. Issue	510 x.d.
8,250	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,180
10,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk of L. & China	315
41,000	281	all	12p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	409 nl.
60,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	175
10,000	250	125	8 p.ct.	National Bank of India	126
1,200	250	al	12 do.	Oriental Bank	510

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

620	M.250	all	100*	Alexandra Spinning	1 650
200	2,500	all	200*	Alliance Spinning	2,940 xd
850	2,000	all	...	Shownuggur M. & P. Co	2,100
200	1,000	all	70 p.a.	Bombay United	1,650
1,664	180	100	25*	Broach Mills	209
300	1,000	...	...	Colaba Spinning	1,025
2,500	2,000	all	50p.a	Dhurumsey Spinning	1,770
1,500	1,250	all	...	Fleming S. W. Co	1,385
1,200	1,000	all	200p.	Great Eastern	1,480
700	1,000	all	...	Hindustan S. W. Co	1,710
124	1,000	all	0 p.a.	Jeevraj Balloo Mills	1,515
500	1,000	1,000	...	Khandelah Spinning	1,280
300	1,250	1,000	...	Madras Spinning	1,150
350	1,000	550	...	Madras U. Spinning	1,225
856	1,000	all	100p.	Manockji Petit's	1,490
200	1,000	1 11	100p.a	Morarjee Spinning	1,665
4 0	2,500	all	340*	Oriental	3,950 xd
600	1,250	25	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	200
808	1,000	1,000	150p.a	Soonderdas Spinning	1,650
800	1,000	25	31½p.a	Do. do. 1/4 share	410

* Per share for the half-year.

CALCUTTA MONEY MARKET.

"ENGLISHMAN' OFFICE, MONDAY EVENING.

THERE has been a slightly increased demand for money, but not to such an extent as to increase the easy complexion of the market to any degree, and rates are unchanged, both at the Bank and out of doors. The continued stagnation of the import markets fully accounts for increased facilities being required for the export trade, as it is consequently all taking and no giving on the part of the bazaar, and it shows clearly that export business must be far from active that the raising of the funds wanted to conduct it has not pressed much more heavily on the money market than has yet been the case. The import market has not improved in demand, much less in price; and the hope of a coming improvement, which are at all times entertained in sanguine minds, are now, with tolerably general consent, applied to the posh-puja months. There have been sales of shirtings made for delivery after those holidays, but at wretched prices, prices at which the goods could not be manufactured in Lancashire even now. The Bank's position continues strong, although the cash-balances have lost 22 lakhs of their late rapid increase. Their outstanding investments in Government Securities have, however, increased 41 lakhs, no doubt from the taking up of the new Loan. The public have made small withdrawals, aggregating 17 lakhs, namely, 2 lakhs in deposits, 8 lakhs in advances on Government Securities, and 7 lakhs in Bills Discounted, and these withdrawals are all that show a greater demand for money. The Treasury balances are very strong, having increased 35 lakhs, and now standing quite as high as they did at this time last year.

In Tirhoot the prospects of the late *Indigo* are again suffering from drought, and the outturn from that district will be very unsatisfactory for the planters. In Lower Bengal, however, the factories are closing with capital results. *Tea* keeps very steady, and this week sales promise to go off at least as well as at last auction.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling continues most lifeless, and remitters are almost entirely out of the market. The consequence has been a further enhancement in rates, still most, if not all, of the credits that have had to be negotiated by exporting firms, have gone into the Banks at 1-10⅛. Document Bills have not been largely dealt in, and their price is nearer 1-10⅛ than 9/16. There was not the slightest enquiry for Bank paper, until one of the Banks, on Saturday, showed a disposition to sell at 1-10⅛, and even then the amount taken was quite unimportant. That rate is obtainable to-day in more than one quarter, but buyers do not move to any extent. The closing rates of this afternoon were:

Bank Bills, on demand	1-9⅞ to 15/16
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight	1-10⅛
Bank Bills, 6 " "	1-10⅛
Credits and Clean House paper, 6 months' sight	1-10⅛ to 9/16
Document Bills, 6 months' sight	1-10⅛

France—The rate for Document Bills has advanced to 2.38½f. for 6 months' sight.

Bombay.—Drafts are more difficult to buy. One anna premium has been paid for demand, but two annas are now asked. Sixty-day Bank paper is not obtainable at six annas discount, and from that to four annas is the quotation.

China.—Rates are nominal, the opium steamers having gone to sea, a little more business was put through at 222 for private bills at 30 days' sight, but the total financial business for those opportunities has been very small. The Banks continue to show no disposition to send funds to China.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHIP NEMPHAR, 846 tons, Captain J. L Walker, will sail to-day for Calicronis, in ballast.

THE BARQUE FUTTAY SULTAN, 312 tons, Nacoda, will sail to-day for Tuticorin with a general cargo.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's S.S. ASSYRIA, 969 tons, Captain C. C D. Hutcheson, sailed yesterday for Coast and Calcutta with a general cargo and eleven deck passengers.

THE SCHOONER AFRICA, 265 tons, Captain T. V. Ranchaupt, arrived in harbour yesterday from Zanzibar (August 5th) with a genral cargo, and eight deck passengers.

THE S.S. EXCELSIOR, 917 tons, Captain J. Goss, arrived in harbour on the 20th instant from Kurrachee (August 13th), in water ballast. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Finlay, Scott, and Co.

THE S.S. ST. OLAF, 1,316 tons, Captain H. C. Pearson, arrived in harbour on the 20th instant from Cardiff (July 7th) via Aden with eight deck passengers and 39 cases acid. The vessel is consigned to the captain.

THE P. AND O. Co's S.S. GOLCONDA, 1,253 tons, Captain J. C. Almond, will sail to-day for Australia, &c., with the Australian Mail, general cargo, and the following passengers:—For Sydney—Mr. D. Warner and Mr. J. H. Walker.

THE B.I.S.N. Co's S.S. PENANG, 475 tons, Captain J. Henderson, arrived in harbour on the 20th instant from the Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr. J. LeMessurier, child and servant, Mr. Pottinger, Mr. R. S. Campbell, Mr. Hexton, Mr. Russell, and sixty-eight deck passengers.

THE P. AND O. S.S. INDUS arrived in Madras roads from Suez at 10 p.m. on Wednesday, having been detained off the coast of Ceylon three days, in consequence of the heavy swell, which prevented her entering Galle harbour. The following is the list of passengers:—

From Southampton to Calcutta.—Mrs. Peacock and Mr. D. Cowie.
From Aden to Calcutta.—Mrs. Leasch's ayah.
From Hongkong to Calcutta.—Messrs. Wheatley and W. Austin.
From Melbourne to Calcutta.—Mr. C. Low.

ARRIVALS.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
20	St. Olaf (s)	Pearson	Cardiff, July 7.
	Excelsior(s)	Jose	Kurrachee, Aug 13.
	Penang (s)	Henderson	Bussorah, Aug 5.
21	Malacca (s)	Shallard	London, July 18.
	Africa	Ranchhaupt	Zanzibar, Aug 5.

DEPARTURES.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
21	Assyria (s)	Hutcheson	Coast & Calcutta.
	Clydarpes (s)	Kennoldson	Aden & Suez.

The following vessels obtained their port clearance yesterday:—
Steamer Golconda, Almond, to Australia, &c.
Ship Nemphar, Walkert, to California.
Barque Futtay Sultan, Nacoda, to Tuticorin.

The Steamer Excelsior, to Marseilles, was entered out for loading yesterday.

CALCUTTA.

Aug. ARRIVAL.
17 Scotia (s) ..... Hart ..... Camorta, Aug 10.

Aug. DEPARTURES.
17 Sea Gull (s) ....
Victoria Bridge ....

MADRAS.

Aug. ARRIVALS.
18 St. Anne .... Mauritius & Pondicherry
Veloce .... Gopaulpore.
Night Hawk .... Covelong.
Indus (s) .... Southampton.

Aug. DEPARTURE.
19 Latona .... Mauritius.

ADEN.

ARRIVALS.
April 7 Pehlwan, ss, Stepney, from Bombay.
June 1 Deerhound, ss, Cassum, from sea.
July 12 Ascana, ship, Hodwin, from Cardiff.
17 Peshawar, ship, Hurst, from Shields.
19 Bute, ship, Nisbet, from Cardiff.
[illegible] Sea, ss, Stephens, from Bombay.
[illegible] Hall, ss, Stephens, from Bombay.
[illegible] Hall, ss, Stephens, from Bombay.
[illegible] Hall

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

LONDON, 20TH AUGUST, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats heavy.

The London Cotton Market has been quiet but steady. Fair Dhollera, 5¾d.

Exchange on India ..... 1s. 10d.
4 per cent. Rupee Paper ..... 96.
4½ per cent. do. do. ..... 97½.
5½ per cent. do. do. 102

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—

Reserve of notes .....£19,312,500. Inc. £1,125,000.
Bills discounted .....£16,875,000. Dec. £500,000.
Bullion.....£22,562,500. Inc. £687,500.
3 per cents. Consols, for account ..... 92½.
5 per cent. French Rente, 1872 ..... 99½.
Bar Silver ..... 58.

The sum of £94,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

The Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount to 3½ per cent.

A HOME correspondent informs us that Sir William Muir has declined a seat in the Council of India, and returns to this country as Finance Minister.

THEODORE TILTON has been arrested for libel in the Beecher case, though not on Mr. Beecher's complaint or at his instance. Tilton pleaded "not guilty."

COLONEL EARLE, Military Secretary to the Viceroy, left Calcutta for Singapore and the Straits on Monday last, and will, it is said, be absent for six weeks. He had been unwell for some time previously.

THE *London Gazette* of July 31st contains the following announcement :—"The Queen has appointed Major-General Sir Charles William Pasbar Staveley, K.C.B., to be a Member of the Council of the Governor of Bombay."

COLONEL POLLARD has proceeded to Murree with the plans of the new line from Lahore to Jhelum, with a view to obtain the sanction of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to the taking up of the land required for the Punjab Northern State Railway.

ON Saturday last Sergeant Naylor, late of the Royal Artillery, from Jhansie, died in the train. On his body being removed on Sunday morning to the General Hospital at Allahabad, and a *post-mortem* examination being held, it was discovered that the cause of death was heat apoplexy.

ACCORDING to one of the local papers, an appeal is to be presented to the Commissioner of the Neilgherries by a native capitalist, who a short time since paid over Rs. 25,000 for a piece of land put up by the authorities as of about 200 acres in extent, but which, when demarcated, turned out to be only about 75 !

SOME months ago the Laccadive Islands were declared by the Government of India to be "free ports" for the purposes of trade. It has now been notified for the guidance of Sea Customs authorities and others concerned, that in future in all returns of trade and navigation these islands are to be included under the "British Indian ports" instead of, as heretofore, under foreign or external ports.

THE captain of the Aratoon Apcar, one of the Calcutta opium steamers, has had his certificate suspended by a Naval Court at Shanghai, for three months, for endangering the safety of his vessel while in a state of semi-intoxication. The chief officer is censured, and the first and second engineers are found "addicted to insobriety." The captain and engineers are to be reported to the Board of Trade.

WE read in a Madras paper that Mr. W. P. Williams, the Manager of the Revenue Settlement Office, against whom serious criminal charges in connection with the Madras Widows and Orphans Fund are pending enquiry, applied to the head of his department for privilege leave for two months. The leave has been refused and the applicant has been suspended, owing to the serious nature of the charges against him.

HER Majesty's ship Volage, Captain Fairfax, will, after touching at the Cape of Good Hope, proceed to Kerguelen's Land for the purpose of observing the transit of Venus. This comparatively unknown part of the world was almost forgotten until visited by her Majesty's ship Challenger, which was, it is said, the only vessel that had touched there since the days of Captain Cook. It is situated in 50 degrees south latitude and the cold is at times intense.

IN the House of Commons, on July 31, Lord George Hamilton, in reply to Mr. E. Hubbard said a series of meteorological observations taken at stations in the Bombay Presidency since 1853 had been sent to this country, but a great number of them had been mislaid and could not be found. The Secretary of State for India had sent a despatch to say that if in future these returns were to be of any utility, they must be more uniform than they had hitherto been.

ON the recommendation of the President of the Committee for the Management of the Government Workhouse, Madras, the Governor in Council has sanctioned the deportation, under the Vagrancy Act, of the following inmates of the Home :—H. V. Barter, John Smith, and William Bonser to Sidney ; William Schaltz to Melbourne, and George Hill to London. The descriptive rolls of these men show that they are all young yet, between the years of 24 and 29. One has been a surveyor, another an officer in the merchant marine, another an iron moulder, another a fireman, another a locksmith. All arrived in India within the last four years.

THE Aldershot manœuvres were brought to a close on the 31st ultimo by a review of the whole of the Artillery stationed there by General Sir Hope Grant, G.C.B. There were sixteen batteries of Royal Horse and field guns and four siege guns, the total number in the Long Valley being 100. This is the largest number of guns that has ever been collected together at Aldershot. All the generals of division and brigadiers who have taken part in the summer drills were present, and witnessed the evolutions, which extended over a very large tract of country. The review was brought to a conclusion by a cannonade from all the batteries in line.

A VERY brutal case of torture has just been brought to light in the District of South Arcot, and the perpetrator was put upon his trial at the last sessions held at Cuddalore. The victim was a young woman, the wife of the prisoner, who caused her hands to be wrapped up in rags steeped in oil, and then set fire to, in order to make her tell what had become of some copper change which had been left upon a shelf in the house, though she persisted in stating that she knew nothing about it. The injuries sustained by the woman from the burns were so severe that she had to stay nearly two months in the Chedumbaram Hospital. The charge being clearly established against the husband, he was sentenced to undergo four years' rigorous imprisonment.

WRITING on the subject of the recovery of a bundle of overland mail letters from the Hooghly the *Englishman* says—"The Post Office authorities must, if they concern themselves at all about the feelings of the public, be fully aware of the effect such a statement would have on them. Yet they have not felt themselves called upon to make any announcement regarding the alleged loss. The least they could have done was to have informed the public whether the statement made was true or not, and, if it was true, to have communicated to them all that had been discovered regarding the number and addresses of the letters. They have omitted to do either one or the other of these things, and, we regret to say, the omission is characteristic of the department, which shirks responsibility on principle, and, as a natural consequence of the immunity conferred on it by law, discharges its trust in a most perfunctory manner."

THROUGH communication by rail between Shahdera and Wazirabad, the Lahore paper tells us, was established on Saturday last. A train consisting of an engine, brake-van and a first-class saloon carriage started from Shahdera at 6-30 A.M. In the saloon carriage were the following gentlemen :—Mr. T. H. Thornton, D. C. L. ; Colonel Pollard, R.E., Engineer-in-Chief of the P. N. State Railway ; Mr. G. P. Thomas, the officer officiating in charge of the Ravi Bridge division ; his assistant, Mr. Campion ; Mr. R. Clarke, Assistant Commissioner ; and one or two others. The engine was gaily dressed with evergreens and flags, and crowds of admiring rustics were collected on the road a short way from Lahore, and along the line. Great excitement was occasioned by the train as it steamed past the various villages on the line of road, as well as on its arrival at Gujranwallah and Wazirabad. Running at the rate of 26 miles an hour, exclusive of stoppages, the train reached Gujranwalla at 9 A.M. After a stay of two hours the train proceeded to Wazirabad, the number of passengers having been increased at Gujranwalla by the gentlemen and ladies of that station. At a short distance from Wazirabad the ceremony was gone through of affixing the last bolt to a fish plate and the driving in of the last spike. The former was gracefully performed by a lady from Gujranwalla, and the spike was driven home by Colonel Pollard, and thus the through communication by railway between Shahdera and Wazirabad was completed. After a sufficient stay at Wazirabad to enable the engine to take in a supply of water, the train returned to Lahore, staying on its return journey a short time at Gujranwalla, and reaching Shahdera at 5 P.M.

THE *Home News* :—The re-consideration of the long-pending claims to certain portions of the Kirwee booty appears to be as far off as ever, to judge from the answer which Lord G. Hamilton gave on Monday to Mr. Ashley. Nothing more in the way of concession is to be expected from Lord Salisbury than could be obtained from the Duke of Argyll. The new minister for India regards the question as decided by Royal Prerogative, and is "not disposed to reverse the decision of his predecessors," who refused to bring the disputed claims before the Court of Admiralty. It remains to be seen how far the pressure which may yet be put upon his lordship by the claimants' champions in the House of Commons will convert him to a kindlier mood. Some of the aggrieved officers have lately held a meeting which resulted in the formation of a committee for the purpose of fighting their claims, and Lord Salisbury is threatened with a deputation which will urge upon him "the expediency of invoking a judicial decision on the further claims of the captors of Kirwee, and on the validity of the very eminent legal opinions which support those claims." We were, however, under the impression that a committee already existed, and we have heard rumours which may account for the formation of a new one ; if these are correct it is possible that the actual claimants may realise the truth of the old adage by finding themselves "between two stools ;" anyhow, the question is already surrounded by so many difficulties that the Indian Government will be only too glad to avail itself of something more than a disagreement between those who have hitherto represented the capturing force.

THE *Pall Mall Gazette*, July 31 :—In contributing his share to the Ministerial massacre of innocents, Mr. Hardy has, unwittingly no doubt, prolonged for another year a grievous hardship to the great body of officers who were never concerned with the purchase question. It is one of the clearest proofs of the crudeness of Lord Cardwell's abolition measure that the ukase against exchanges which formed part of it was extended undiscriminatingly to all the non-purchase corps and departments of the army. Now these happen to be officered from two very distinct classes as regards means, many having large or comfortable incomes, others nothing but their pay. To the latter it was always open, before the days of abolition, to get an exchange without cost, or even at a premium, to some station where cheapness of living or local allowances made it possible for them to subsist decently. India was of course above all becoming more and more the field for those who were not afraid of the climate, and India had allotted to it a certain proportion of men who could well afford to do their soldiering at home, and were willing to pay those who took their places. But the effect of what has been done is this, that because at one time—of late years the military authorities had very fairly guarded against any such abuse—certain exchanges in purchase regiments had been managed so as to affect promotion, two doctors, or two captains of artillery found a sudden bar put across their mutual desire to exchange. The poor man must stay at the costly station ; the wealthy must remain in the tropics. Both are sufferers, and both grumblers, with just cause. And this has come about because purchase was abolished so hurriedly that no one had time to consider how to discriminate between the future treatment of the regiments subject to it and those in which exchanges could not by any possibility effect either the promotion of individual persons or the advantage of the service.

SEVERAL peace associations had expressed the desire to be represented at the Brussels Conference. They have received a polite refusal. Amateur diplomacy and the ventilation of all sorts of philanthropic crotchets would hardly have improved the chance of arriving at some palpable result. A proposal from the International Society for the Assistance of Prisoners of War, founded at Brussels in 1870, embodying special dispositions to facilitate its own and similar missions, and based on the experience acquired by the society in 1870-71, has, however, been presented by the Belgian Foreign Secretary to the President of the Conference. On July 29 the Conference appointed a Commission, composed of one delegate for each State, to examine the Russian project. This Commission, which is to meet daily, held its first sitting on July 30, under the presidency of Baron Jomini. The members of the Congress will probably be invited to witness manœuvres of the Belgian army. The assertion of a Paris journal that General von Voigts-Rheetz, the first representative of Germany, left after the first meeting for Berlin, is erroneous. He attended regularly at the Conference. This general must not be confounded with General von Voigts-Rheetz, who commanded the ninth German army corps during the late war, and who has since then retired from the service. He is one of the most talented of the younger German generals and Prussian military plenipotentiary at the German Federal Council. He has shown both statesmanlike and oratorical gifts by the way in which he conducted the debates on the military budget in the German Parliament. The *Nord* states that the friendly relations which have been established among the delegates and the tact of the President allow the hope to be entertained that the harmony of the Conference will not be troubled by any discord resulting from the remembrance of recent events, and that though it is possible that all difficulties relative to the codification of the laws and usages of war may not be broached immediately, yet the success of the most essential dispositions of the project of convention seems henceforth to be assured. No protocol or account of the labours of the Conference will be published before the termination of the deliberations. The Committee of the Congress met on July 31 for the purpose of examining the points upon which the Powers are agreed. It appears that the majority are in favour of the idea of limiting the convention to questions of humanity. The representative of the Republic of San Salvador appeared the same day at the Congress, being thus far the only delegate from America. The United States Government was twice invited. After the Department of State had formally declined Prince Gortschakoff's invitation, the Emperor himself sent a telegram to President Grant, soliciting the participation of the United States, but this was declined in the same manner.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL OF THE 31st JULY.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s.s. Malaca, Commander S. D. Shallard, arrived in harbour yesterday morning with the English mails of the 31st ult. on board. The following is the list of passengers :—

FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

Mr J Coak.
Mr & Mrs Harvey, infant, and ayah.
Mr Robertson.
Mrs McDonald's ayah.
Mr J Wright.
Mr W H Gulliver.
Mr J Carter.
Mr Underwood.
Mr W Smellhurst.
Mrs Mc.arthey and infant.
Mr R. H Sealy.
Mr W Barker.
Mrs Thomson's ayah.
Mr E Jones.
Major Fraser's 2 female servants
Mr Artificer.
Mr Farooe Yacoot.

VIA ALEXANDRIA—Mrs Swinton's ayah

FROM BRINDISI.

Col F J Priestley.
Mr and Mrs Williams.
Mr G A Summers.
Major Turton.
Lieut Leach.
Major Morton.
Mr J D Grant.
Major Oldemeyer.

FROM SUEZ—Mr Duckworth.

FROM ADEN.

Mrs Whaley, child, & 2 infants. 7 Natives.

HEADS OF INTELLIGENCE.

(*Home News*, July, 31.)

IN both House of Parliament the approaching termination of the session is becoming daily more evident. In the Lords, the Royal (late Indian) Ordnance Corps Compensation Bill was read a second time last night.

In the Commons, in allusion to the Indian Mail Contract, Lord Manners has stated that a saving of £24,000 a year will be gained by the steamers running through the Suez Canal. In the distribution of the Kirwee prize money, Lord Hamilton has stated that the authorities will be guided by former precedents, and the claims will not be submitted to the Admiralty. Mr. Disraeli hopes to be able to introduce the Indian Budget on August 3. The India Councils Bill was read a second time on July 29.

There is a rumour of the probable interference of Germany in the affairs of Spain as regards the Carlists receiving supplies by sea. The recent execution of a German by the Carlists, and the extreme bad feeling of the Ultramontane party in Spain against Germany, is considered likely to increase the watchfulness of the latter Power over the Carlist movements.

The Brussels Conference met on July 27, but adjourned the same day. At present the recognition of a deligate from Spain is the difficulty.

German papers consider a war between Russia and China as not being very far distant.

The English Fleet has been ordered to collect at Panama, in order to proceed to Guatemala to enforce the payment of £20,000 as compensation for the outrage on Consul Magee.

Her Majesty, with Princess Beatrice and Prince Leopold are at Osborne. His Royal Highness met with an accident a short time since which has affected his health, but he is now improving.

The Bengal Famine Committee met at the Mansion House on July 27, when it was stated that the total receipts had been £125,338, of which £110,000 has been sent to Calcutta.

The Queen has appointed T. D. Forsyth, C.B., Bengal, C.S., to be an extra Knight Commander of the Order of the Star of India.

The New Charity Commissioners have been named by Mr. Disraeli as Mr Longley, the Rev. Canon Robinson, and Lord Clifton.

In the event of the India Councils Bill becoming law, Major-General Richard Strachey, R.E., will probably be appointed member of the Council of the Governor-General of India for Public Works.

Viscount Melville is lying dangerously ill at Melville Castle, near Edinburgh.

The directors of the Bank of England have raised their rate of discount from 2½ per cent. to 3 per cent.

The Queen has appointed Mr. Hugh Robert Hughes, of Kinmel, to be Lord-Lieutenant of the county of Flint ; and the Marquis of Waterford to the Lord-Lieutenancy of the county of Waterford.

The Gordon Cast's tea ship, from China, has been wrecked off Lisbon ; crew and passengers all saved.

The Goodwood Cup has been won by Mr. Merry's Doncaster, Kaiser second, Miss Toto third.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council have dismissed with costs the appeal of Ganendromohun Tagore v. Jutindromohun Tagore.

The great landing-stage at Liverpool, erected for the accommodation of the passenger traffic in the Mersey, has been destroyed by fire.

The Hankow, outward bound for China, has been in collision with a steamer in the Channel, by which the latter vessel sank, and fifteen persons have been drowned.

OBITUARY OF THE WEEK.—Col. W. J. Cooke, Mad. S.C. ; Capt. C. L. Hulbert, late Bombay Army ; G. Rennie, Esq., late Bo. Art. ; Sir Claude Edward Scott ; the Rev. G. Bouverie, Chaplain to the Queen ; the Right Hon. A. Brevster ; Baron Anselm Rothschild ; W. D. Christie, C.B. ; Major-Gen. E. Bagot.

THE POONA HORSE AND CATTLE SHOW

WILL BE OPENED

ON WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER 1874,

AND

REMAIN OPEN UNTIL THE FOLLOWING SATURDAY.

PATRON—H. E. THE GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY.
VICE-PATRON—H. E. THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

STEWARDS.

Major General Grant.	Major General Sir E D. Russell.
Brigadier General Aitchison.	Sir C. J. Jejeebhoy, Bart.
Brigadier General Shewell.	C lonel Sir W. Jervewether.
W. H. Havelock, Esq.	G. Norman, Esq.
L. Ashburner, Esq.	Colon l Hughes, R.A.
Colonel Holland.	Colonel W. Ashburner.
Colonel Burrowes.	Major Probyn.
G. W. Elliot, Esq.	F Souter, Esq.
J. B. B. Hallen, Esq.	Colonel Beerbon.
Colonel S Scott.	Captain Nutt.
Major Hills, R.E.	Captain Daniell.
Dr. Collins.	Captain Currie.

With power to add to their number.

JOINT-SECRETARIES, MAJOR WARDROP, J. E. OLIPHANT, Esq.

JUDGES will be appointed by the Stewards.

SUBSCRIPTIONS to the Prize Fund to be paid to J. E. OLIPHANT, Esq., Collector of Poona, or to the Poona Branch of New Bank of Bombay.

ENTRANCE FEES.

Horses .....Rs. 10 each.	Bulls and Cows .Rs. 5 each.
Galloways ..... ,, 10 ,,	Bullocks..... ,, 5 per pair.
Ponies ..... ,, 5 ,,	Sheep ..... ,, 1 each.

N. B.—For each class in which exhibited. Ewes and Wethers ..... ,, 1 per pen.

PRIZES.

HORSES.

CLASS.	Prizes. 1st.	2nd.	3rd.
1—English Horses suitable as Stallions	250	150	50
2—English Mares suitable for breeding	150	100	50
3—Colonial Horses suitable as Stallions	250	150	50
4—Colonial Mares suitable for breeding	150	100	50
5—Arab-suitable as Stallions	250	150	50
6—Arab Mares suitable for breeding	150	100	50
7—Arab Gallowys and Pony Stallions	150	100	50
8—Country and Stud bred Horses fit for Stallions	150	100	50
9—Country and Stud bred Mares suitable for breeding	150	100	50
10—Ditto in foal or with foal at foot by a Government Stallion	200	150	100
11—Country and Stud bred Galloway and Pony Stallions	75	50	25
12—Ditto Ditto Mares suit-ble for breeding	75	50	25
12*—Ditto in foal or with foal at foot by a Government Stallion	100	75	50
13—Yearling foals, country bred	50	35	20
14—Yearling fillies, country bred	50	35	20
15—Two year old Colts ditto	75	50	25
16—Ditto fillies ditto	75	50	25
17—Three year do Colts ditto	100	70	40
18—Ditto fillies ditto	100	70	40
19—Four year ditto Colts ditto	100	70	40
20—Ditto fillies ditto	125	90	50
21—Yearling foals	75	50	25
22—Ditto fillies	75	50	25
23—Two year old Colts	100	70	40
24—Ditto fillies	100	70	40
25—Three year old Colts	125	90	50
26—Ditto fillies	125	90	50
27—Four ditto Colts	150	100	50
28—Ditto fillies	150	100	50
29—Two year old geldings, country and stud bred.	100	70	40
30—Three ditto ditto	125	90	50
31—Four ditto ditto	150	100	50
32—Five ditto ditto upwards	160	110	60
33—Chargers and horses or mares suitable as such	150	100	50
34—Hunters, any breed or sex	150	100	50
35—Hacks ditto ditto	150	100	50
36—Tonga Ponies, pairs	80	60	40

The produce of the Government Stallions must be shown for Rs. 7(0).

CATTLE AND SHEEP.

CLASS.	Prizes. 1st.	2nd.	3rd
1—Bulls, English and Half bred	125	90	60
2—Cows ditto di to	100	75	50
3—Bulls, Gujerat and Kattywar	100	75	50
4—Cows ditto ditto	80	60	40
5—Bulls, Mysore	100	75	50
6—Cows ditto	60	45	30
7—Bulls, any other Indian breed	80	60	40
8—Cows ditto ditto	60	45	30
9—Bulls under 3 years, any breed	70	50	30
10—Heifers under 3 years, any breed	60	45	30

AGRICULTURAL AND DRAUGHT BULLOCKS.

11—Pairs Guzerat and Kattywar	100	50	0
12—Ditto Mysore	100	50	0
13—Dit o Khandeish	100	30	0
14—The Deccan	80	40	30
15—The Southern M. Country	100	50	0
16—Ditto any other Indian breed	80	40	30

Sheep.	Class.	Prizes.
17—Rams, any breed	1...3 at 10 each. 2...3 at 5 do.	
18—Ewes, per pen of 4 or 5	1...3 at 15 do. 2...3 at 10 do.	
19—Wether ditto	1...3 at 10 do. 2...3 at 10 do.	

CONDITIONS.

An animal may be entered in every class for which competent, provided entrance fee be paid for each Class. But the same animal cannot take more than two prizes, and will not be awarded a prize in the same class for more than two seasons.

2.—Animals, the property of Government, may be exhibited, but cannot take prizes.

3.—Every Animal exhibited *for sale* must have a *price fixed* upon it before the day of Exhibition To prevent valuable Chargers and Hunters competing with Hacks, no animal exhibited in the latter class is declared claimable by a purchaser at Rs. 700.

4.—Government reserves the right of pre-emption of any animal exhibited *for sale* at the *price fixed* beforehand by the Exhibitor. Other claim to purchase *priced* animals must be submitted to the Secretaries, who will settle them by priority of application.

5.—No Prize will be given in any class unless the animals come up to a fair standard of excellence. No 2nd Prize will be given in any class unless four animals are exhibited therein, and no 3rd Prize unless six are shown.

6.—At the discretion of the Stewards' Committee, animals, the property of poor Exhibitors, will be admitted without payment of Entrance Fees.

7.—At the discretion of the Stewards' Committee Batta will be paid to needy Exhibitors for the period they may be absent from their homes for the purposes of the Exhibition.

8.—Intending Exhibitors should give notice on or before first September to either of the Secretaries, who will forward a printed form of Descriptive Roll which should be filled in and returned without delay together with the Entrance Fee. Entrances made between 10th and 15th September will be liable to double Fees. No Entrances will be received after 15th.

9.—The Agents of the Railway Companies have consented to carry animals to and from the Show at reduced rates on the following conditions :—

"Full fares will be charged for an animal for the journey to Poona, but it will be carried free on the return journey on production of a certificate signed by one of the Secretaries, to the effect that the animal has been exhibited at the Show, and remains the property of the sender.

"The concession is made only on the condition that the Railway Companies are relieved of all liability for damage to any animal carried under this arrangement."

VISITORS' TICKETS.

For the entire Show	Family to admit four	Rs. 10
	Do. do. two	,, 5
	Single	,, 3
	A Ticket for one day only	,, 1

Free Tickets to Stewards and Exhibitors.

Subscribers will be allowed a Single Ticket for every (10) Ten Rs. subscribed.

SITE.

The old Horse Artillery Lines, Wanowree,—where accommodation will be provided for the animals exhibited.

J. E. OLIPHANT, } *Joint-Secretaries.*
A. WARDROP, }

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

Statement of Traffic, week ending 15th August 1874.

Open 1,278½ Miles.	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching	62,287	1	0
Merchandize	1,27,991	7	0
Electric Telegraph	535	0	0
Earth Trains	630	0	0
Total Rs.....	1,91,443	8	0
Corresponding week last year, open 1,266½ miles ..... Total Rs.....	1,66,753	3	5
Increase Rs.....	24,690	4	7

THE "BOMBAY TATLER."

CURIOUS things are seen in advertisements The second column of the *Times* is always full of them, and each is often a study in itself. Something of the character of the advertiser can frequently be gleaned from the advertisement, and love, hope, fear, sorrow, benevolence, revenge, and a hundred other feelings all find expression in this way. I was amused at reading an advertisement which appeared in your columns a short time ago as follows :—"Wanted, a small Bungalow, with compound, not surrounded by houses. Rent about Rs. 25, Colaba or Byculla preferred." Simple-minded advertiser ! "Wanted !" I should think so. A nice little house, compact and convenient, presumably in a fine open situation and in no way overlooked. I suppose the advertisement was inserted in the expectation that such a bungalow at such a rent could be obtained. Sweet simplicity ! I remember reading in *Punch* some years ago a conversation between a horse-dealer and a would-be purchaser. "Ha! I think I know what you want," said the dealer, "a good-looking chesnut, about 15½ hands high, 5 years old, deep chest, good flat legs, plenty of bone-sound and strong, of good temper, and about £25." "That's it !" eagerly exclaimed the other. "That's just it !" "Ah ! then don't you wish you may get it !" said the dealer. Sir, I want that bungalow myself. I bid against the advertiser for it, if it exists. Never mind Colaba or Byculla ; is there such a bungalow in the whole of Bombay ? I try to *hope* so, but not being blessed with the sanguine disposition of the advertiser, I cannot say I *think* so. Good gracious ! Such bungalows are just what we want. I wonder how many of them would let readily on long leases. Several hundreds, I should say. We have no use for much of the expensive pile for which we are obliged to pay two or three thousand rupees a year, but a cosy little home standing in its own grounds at a moderate rent ! Oh ! I want that bungalow.

THE other day you published a very queer story from the *Delhi Gazette*, which of late has been coming into notice more for its fictional peculiarities than its excellence as a newspaper. In fact, the high reputation of the old *Delhi Gazette* as an Indian journal has disappeared, and seems to have saved nothing from the wreck but its character for story-telling. In the story I allude to, the writer represents himself as being swallowed by a whale, or something very like it at all events, and getting pitched out of the animal's stomach by administering to it a dose of tartar emetic. With some fine graphic touches he invests his story with a certain air of probability—as for instance, when he makes the walls of his stomach prison pink and soft, and illuminates it with phosphorence, which everybody knows is an extremely fishy light indeed. How the writer managed to get swallowed is not explained, although I should think he must have been one of the unfortunate crew who were in the ill-fated ship that was dragged down by the cuttle fish a short time ago. It was suggested by a writer in the *Englishman's Week* that the *Delhi Gazette's* octopus story was founded on a brief account of the octopus in the Brighton aquarium. It is astonishing how little a fanciful writer requires to suggest a story. When once the outline is presented before him he soon fills in the details, of which he has often as much over, if he could remember them, as would do for another sketch. As to this tartar emetic story, it is possible that a slight circumstance may have suggested it. The story of Jonah, for instance, may have been in the writer's mind's eye, or even the legend about a voracious whale which is appended as a note to the "Merchant of Venice" in Barry Cornwall's edition of Shakspeare. There it is gravely set forth that a marriage was proposed between the son of Anselmus, Emperor of Rome, and the daughter of the King of Apulia. The young lady in her voyage was shipwrecked and swallowed by a whale. Not knowing this was to happen she did not carry a large supply of tartar emetic about her person ; but she nevertheless contrived to make the monster regret that he had ever dared to swallow the lady. She cut up his inside with a knife, and [illegible] to him, so that he was glad to throw himself ashore and be killed by an Earl named Pirius, who delivered the Princess and took her under his protection. On relating her story she was conveyed before the Emperor, who, in order to prove whether she was worthy the hand of his son—the rude monster to which life a whale managed to swallow her bodily it was as little as he could do to digest his doubts about her veracity—he placed three vessels before her. Then follows something like the casket episode of the play, to which it is not necessary to allude further than to say that the Princess chose the leaden vessel, and was immediately united to the Prince. What was easier than for the story teller of the *Delhi Gazette* to make himself Jonah or the Princess, and to arm himself with a powerful emetic ? I expect he will tell you in a short time that he has heard from the monster of the deep, and that it has still a very sore throat in consequence of his boots lacerating the sides of its œsophagus when he was "heaved" so abruptly that he had not time, for the monster's sake, to take them off and tuck them under his arms.

IN the capital of one of the Indian Presidencies —no names, please,—an attempt is made in one of the principal places of worship to hold divine service during the week ; but owing to the extensive commercial occupations of the inhabitants that service is seldom numerously attended. Indeed I might say, it is shamefully attended ; and the pastor who is appointed to be at the fold to receive his sheep is disheartened beyond measure when he sees before him an almost empty church. He hurries through the service —it would be of little use to be laborious and careful for the benefit of three individuals and bare walls ; as well might a clergyman conceive it to be his duty to go into the fields and harangue to the four winds and an open-mouthed ploughboy. I believe it is the case that unless more than two persons attended as a place of worship it is not compulsory for a clergyman to go on with his task. This was a fact of which the Rev. Mr. Psalter was fully aware. Yet week after week he found he had to go through the service because three persons were regularly in their places ready to begin, and he was so considerate of the anxiety that the declining sunlight betrayed on their upturned features that he never had the courage to suggest that as there were so few people present perhaps the service might be dispensed with. One of these was an urchin who though small still made up the necessary complement of worshippers. He began to entertain evil thoughts regarding that little boy. The urchin's face haunted him in his day dreams and his night dreams. I believe he would have been sorry to hear that a fatal accident had happened to the little boy—that he had been run over by a tramway car, or succumbed to an attack of cholera at Carnac Bunder, or choked from emotion after reading the Secretary of State's answer to the Parsee memorial—yet he would never have thought for a moment of questioning the wisdom or the power which had put an end to his admirable and exemplary existence. One night when he went as usual to hold the week-day service, and he saw the peaceful looking bald head of the old man who was a regular attender, and the staid bonnet of the old lady who was another, his face showed nothing but resignation ; but as he stalked up the middle pathway of the church he caught sight of that little boy, and suddenly he became ferocious. Is it for this brat, he said, that I must go through this service week after week ? He stole up to the youth and looked at him with a terrible expression of wrath. The little boy recoiled. The pastor leant over him and whispered in his ear that "little boys had been murdered for less provocation than this—much less—Ha ! ha !" The little boy opened his eyes wide, dropped his lower jaw, and sidled gently to the end of the pew, and then gave one wild look at the Rev. Mr. Psalter, and turned and fled. Like sunshine breaking through a dark cloud, cheerfulness smiled once more upon the pastor's countenance, and he went to the rostrum, and gravely told the old lady and old gentleman, who were all unconscious of the emotions which had worked in the little boy's heart a minute ago, that he regretted to find there was a smaller attendance even than usual, and under the circumstances it would—ahem !—be advisable to postpone the service. That little boy never went back to church again on a week night. Some say that he was bribed to stay away by a gift of 4 annas ; but I think I have got the right version of the story.

THE LATE FATAL CATASTROPHE ON THE G. I. P. RAILWAY.

THE Government of Bombay has issued the following Resolution upon the receipt of the reports of Major Dowden and Chief Engineer of the Railway :—

Government do not consider that any blame attaches to the engineering or traffic staff in regard to this lamentable accident ; on the contrary, the conduct of those concerned appears to have been very creditable, especially that of Permanent Way Inspector Imrie and Muccadum Itoo.

2. The inspecting staff appears to have been well on the alert, and to have done all in their power for the safety of the traffic.

3. The up mail train was watched safely over the Sewjee Nulla bridge, which collapsed under the goods train a few hours afterwards.

4. The bridge itself was probably in fault, as it does not seem to have been overtopped ; but on this point further information is awaited.

5. It will probably be possible to determine, when the water subsides, whether the supports of the bridge have been underscoured, or whether they have succumbed to the direct force of the stream owing to any fault of original construction apart from the nature of the foundation.

6. It should be reported whether the bridge was one of the works set down for reconstruction, and, if so, whether the intention to reconstruct it was carried out, or whether that measure was deferred for any or what reason.

7. Proposals for rebuilding the bridge on a better design, as well as for providing extra waterway at the Buldee Nulla, are awaited.

8. Government learn with satisfaction that the through communication over the two places where the line has suffered has now been established, and the promptitude with which it has been done under adverse circumstances is very creditable to the engineering staff of the line.

9. The reports should be sent to the Government of India.

BOMBAY.

THREE hundred pounds of gunpowder were yesterday imported by one Abdool Raymon.

A STILL-BORN CHILD.—The body of a still-born child was yesterday found lying on the Esplanade.

ASSAULT.—Ramjan Mudderbux, a Mahomedan, was yesterday charged at the Fort Police Court, before the Senior Magistrate, with having assaulted one Ameena, a Hindoo female. His Worship convicted and sentenced the defendant to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour in the House of Correction.

ANOTHER ASSAULT.—Atmaram Dhondoo and Vittul Kooshaba, Hindoos, were yesterday charged at the Fort Police Court, before Mr. Nana Morojee, with having assaulted a woman on the Esplanade road on the previous day. Complainant stated that the assault was quite unprovoked, and proved that the first defendant had thrown stones at her and slapped her on the face. His Worship sentenced him to pay a fine of Rs. 20, and discharged the second prisoner.

YESTERDAY, at the High Court, before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Marriott, Mr. Serjeant Atkinson appeared in the matter of the administration *de bonis non* of Ludha Veerjee, deceased, on behalf of Ludha Puddumsey, the executor. His client, he said, was executor in two cases, in one of which Moolbai, and in the other Cooverbai, was applicant. His application was that both suits should be heard together, and that the matter should be postponed for a fortnight. Mr. Starling, on behalf of Moolbai, and the Advocate General for Cooverbai, consented to the application, which was then granted.

A TEMPEST IN A TEAPOT.—Yesterday being the Mahomedan sabbath, the police authorities seem to have had reason to apprehend just the shadow of a shade of danger from the Mahomedans who frequent the mosques on that day. From 11 o'clock in the forenoon more than usually large detachments of policemen were posted at the Null Bazaar in and about Shaik Abdool Rahman Street, in the vicinity of the Jumma Musjid, and other places, while the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, with a number of European officers and native members of the force, were in attendance at the Crawford Markets, perfectly prepared to adopt prompt measures in the event of an emergency occurring. We believe the immediate occasion for an alarm, real or unfounded as it might be, was the profession of Islamism three persons, which was about to take place. One of them, a Parsee priest named Furbonjee Dadabhy—not Perozshaw Vimadalal, whose name appears to have been needlessly paraded—was converted at a mosque other than the Jumma Musjid, but no preparations for a public display of him had been made or were permitted. At the Jumma Musjid the case was different. The "faithful" appeared to have congregated there in unusually large numbers ; and if our information be correct, there were about 2,000 persons collected there yesterday, whereas the usual attendance at the mosque on Fridays, during the last month or two, has averaged from 500 to 700 persons. The ostensible reason was the conversion of two Hindus, which was to take place there. Preparations had apparently been made for forming a procession from the mosque, and a license had been obtained under a dishonest representation—as appeared subsequently—for playing music in the streets. On the circumstance coming to the knowledge of the police, the contemplated procession was countermanded and the music license, we are told, was torn up by the police. The "faithful," after prayers, had, therefore, no opportunity to mark, in a public manner, their rejoicing at the recent accessions to their order, and dispersed quietly after 1 o'clock.

A CHARGE OF FORGERY AND CHEATING.—Yesterday before Mr. Nana Morojee, at the Fort Police Court, one Francis Xavier Couto, a clerk in the employ of the French Bank, was charged at the instance of one Coorjee Canjee, a Hindoo of the Purbhoo caste, with forgery and cheating. The defendant, it seems, had known Coorjee Canjee for nearly four years, and during the last two years had several money transactions with him. In consequence of having to pay a most exorbitant rate of interest for all monies borrowed by him from Canjee, defendant found his affairs considerably embarrassed and had no resource but to borrow money from other parties to

Governor-General of India in reference to it has been ascertained and laid upon the table of the House."

Mr Smollett, in seconding the amendment, pointed out that the new member of Council would be entitled to a salary of £5,000 a year, and considered that the proposal for his nomination came before the House under very peculiar circumstances, seeing that Lord Northbrook, who probably was not of opinion that in the multitude of Councillors there was safety, had not expressed his approval of it, and that the Council of the Secretary of State had not been consulted as to the expediency of the change. The reason alleged, he might add, for the introduction of the Bill was because of the large sums which had for the last 10 or 15 years been spent on works of irrigation in India, which it was supposed would be remunerative, but which it was now found were productive only of loss. The Madras water supply, the Orissa works, and others were pointed to as failures, and, no doubt, the Orissa works must stand it's Government in a large sum, while the Jumna Canal and the Punjab Eastern Canal had been spoken of in another place as not paying anything like the interest on the cost of their construction. Other works, which had been estimated to cost £1,000,000, and the outlay on which had been £6,000,000 or £7,000,000, also, it appeared, turned out to be unremunerative, and he was glad to find the Secretary of State making charges with respect to them against the Public Works Department in India, for when on former occasions he small-It that Department for its extravagance, and for the false *data* on which its calculations were based, he had not met with the smallest sympathy from any public functionary in that House. It would therefore be readily believed that he was disposed to support any measure which would curtail the mischievous action of the Department, that he was perfectly satisfied that such a proposal as that under discussion was rather calculated to extend indefinitely the idle waste and wild extravagance of its proceedings, and he should therefore give to it his most active opposition. He had heard the Bill advocated on the ground that it was necessary to appoint an additional member of Council because the existing members were greatly over worked. If that were so, however, would not Lord Northbrook himself have been the very first person to bring the matter under the notice of the Secretary of State, and to ask for relief? His own impression was that when a gentleman attained the high position of a member of Council in India, he had never any very enormous amount of labour imposed upon him. Its members were generally speaking elderly persons, who drew their salaries, enjoyed their dignity, and were always ready to inform their friends that they were overworked and borne down by the indefatigable discharge of their official duties. ("Hear, hear," and a laugh.) That, however, was all gammon. (Laughter.) The Council consisted of seven members, and it was, he thought, sufficiently numerous to form all the Executive which it had to discharge. The legal and financial members had not very much to do, and besides, there was an Extraordinary Council, which consisted of eight or ten members, with considerable salaries, whose services might in his opinion be dispensed with without much loss to a single person in India except themselves (a laugh), for the prayer throughout India was that the plague of legislation, which had perplexed and harrassed the land for the last 20 years, should, if possible, be stayed. It had, indeed, been said in another place that a similar arrangement to that which was now proposed had been made in the case of the Finance Department in India with great success, and that since the appointment of Mr. Wilson, in 1860, the deficiencies which had previously existed had disappeared. But the finance of the country had revived, and was at present in a state of great security. Now, much of what had been stated on the occasion to which he referred was new to him. He denied that there had ever been a Finance Minister appointed in India till 1860. Up to that time the Governor-General had been his own Finance Minister. Lord W Bentinck and Lord Dalhousie were their own Finance Ministers, and so dealt with the resources of the country that there was far less of waste in fusion and jobbery than was now rife. There were, no doubt, constant deficits before 1860, but they arose from the warlike expenditure in which the Governor-General found themselves involved. Under Lord W. Bentinck there was a large surplus, and a considerable amount of debt had been paid off, but some of the most disastrous and extravagant wars had from time to time been forced on India by the Government of England, as, for instance, the Afghan war on Lord Auckland, but in times of peace the finances were managed with great economy. In 1860, it was true they were found to be in a state of much entanglement, but that arose from the mutiny in Bengal and the necessity of maintaining something like 100,000 British troops in thecountry for a period of three or four years. When peace was again restored, however, the revenues of India began to resume their former normal position, and the Income Tax, which never would have been imposed by any one who understood India, was abolished. We had, however, not paid off during the time of which he was speaking a single shilling of debt, but for that he did not blame Mr. Wilson and those who succeeded him in office, for they were unable to control the extravagant expenditure on public works. As to the alleged financial surplus for last year, he would merely observe that it had been obtained by a juggle of the figures, as for example by excluding from view the £5,000,000 expended on what were called Public Works Extraordinary, but which were extraordinary only in their magnitude and the amount of the loss which they entailed and the sums laid out in famine relief. That being so, he could understand how it could be argued that the finances of India were at the present moment in a very favourable position. That position appeared to him to assume a rather distressing aspect when he took into account the appalling sums which were to be expended on public works in the future. He found it was stated by Lord Northbrook that £22,000,000 were to be laid out on these extraordinary works, which, as experience proved, only resulted in loss. The programme had, he might add, been sketched out before there was any apprehension of famine; but notwithstanding existing circumstances, it would seem that it was still to be adhered to. Again, the newspapers spoke of a great work which had been projected by an engineer of immense genius—a man with a mind of gigantic ability, according to Lord Salisbury, was above all praise. Now, he had the greatest dislike of engineers of genius (a laugh), and his experience was that whenever a genius set himself down to practise in public business in this country he generally made a mess of it. And what was the estimate for the work, according to the newspapers? Forty millions to begin with. Some persons might think that a flea-bite, but he thought it a very large amount to venture on an undertaking which, before it was completed, would cost £60,000,000. The odds were three to one they would prove a signal failure. They were now told that already 6,000 miles of railway had been completed during the last 18 years, 9 000 miles more were absolutely required; and the Government of India, so futile in its resources, had declared its readiness to supply the want. Public companies were no longer required, nor subsidised shareholders, who undertook all the profit and incurred no risk whatever (A laugh.) These 9,000 miles of railway were to be laid down by the Department of Public Works, which had shown itself so capable of spending public money during the last 18 years. The Secretary of State had told them that these railways were laid down very cheaply—he estimated them at £21,000,000, but assuming that estimate to be correct, he would be very glad if they were made under £50,000,000 or £60,000,000. For railways and irrigation works from £100,000,000 to £120,000,000 would have to be raised for India by loan. This was entirely apart from the annual outlay of India—namely, £48,000,000. These calculations were appalling, and he would not sanction by his vote the appointment of a minister to carry out these projects, many of which might be of his own designing. When he was in India the apostle of irrigation was Colonel Arthur Cotton, now General Sir Arthur Cotton, for all his old acquaintances, though he considered them very common people, came back to this country with handles to their names. (A laugh.) Sir Arthur Cotton proposed to Lord Dalhousie to borrow £20,000,000 to be expended on works of irrigation —for he had an awful horror of railways and railway projectors; but he laboured under a hallucination that irrigation works would yield at once, on an average, a hundred per cent. profit and millions hereafter, to the lucky cultivator. (A laugh.) But the present Secretary of State had much more solid and truthful views than this apostle of irrigation, although he too had his disciples. What did Lord Salisbury say? He spoke first of the Railway Department. He said these works, though they had conferred great advantage on India, were, commercially speaking, not profitable. Many of them did not yield the interest of the money borrowed for their creation. Then, with regard to irrigation works, he said a happy superstition had prevailed for the last ten years in England and India that it was only necessary for the Government to lay down such works to produce immense profits and great success to the tyots. But this delusion had been dissipated by the stern and inexorable logic of facts. Now, he never was a devotee to that superstition. For 25 years he had, in season and out of season, denounced that superstition as a base imposture; but he was glad now to find Secretaries of State coming forward and admitting that he had been perfectly correct. He could not sanction that career of expenditure which had been shadowed forth. The Government of India should be compelled to pause, till, by economy, retrenchment, and reform, they had acquired a surplus which might be available. When, therefore, it was objected to this measure that they had not before them the opinion in regard to it of the present Viceroy, he must remind the hon. member for Hackney that the Governor-General was not the responsible Minister; but the Secretary of State was the Minister of India responsible to Parliament. The opinion of the Governor-General should not be interposed between the Secretary of State and the exercise of its judgment by that House. With respect to the proposed increase of the Governor-General's Council, he might say he had at various period the opportunity of the most confidential intercourse with Lord Mayo as to the necessity which he saw of increasing the number of the Council. They must all see how undesirable it was that the Governor-General should be chequed with the administration of any particular department. His function was general control—carefully watching the administration of every department. He could conceive nothing that would interfere more completely with the efficiency of the Governor-General than his being charged with the administration of any one special department. It would place his Council, who ought to join him in a general control over all departments of the State in a most difficult position, when a proposal came from a particular department with which the Governor-General was charged. It was quite necessary that there should be some one person responsible for the administration of the Public Works Department; but there could not fix on an exalted office', such as the Governor-General, the responsility of a particular department apart from his Council. Although he was quite prepared to vote for the second reading of this Bill, and although he believed it was of the utmost importance that there should be an addition to the Council of the Governor-General in the shape of a Minister of Public Works, who should be solely responsible for the administration of that department, he did not quite concur in the particular method of this proposed appointment. He did not believe anything could be more unfortunate than an addition to those special members of Council, such as the legal and financial members, who were to a considerable extent removed from the control of the Governor-General and the Council. The legal member of Council, for instance, was to a great extent removed from the control of the Governor-General and was enabled to take up any legal reform—connected, perhaps with the laws of inheritance, succession, or marriage—and reduce his views to a system, satisfactory, perhaps, to jurists of education similar to his own, but not very likely to be productive of much satisfaction in India. The hon. member for Hackney had referred to the extravagant estimates of some of the public works in India which had been in most instances largely exceeded. But had public works in this country always been carried out within their original estimates? The House in which they were now sitting was estimated at something under £1,000,000, but it cost more than £3,000,000. Then, as to railways, the expenditure had been under the control of the most eminent engineers, yet there was not a great bridge, or a great work where the work had not been inefficiently done and where it had not cost twice as much as the original estimate. (Hear.) The public works had been very expensively administered, but no remedy for this would be found in the present Bill. His hon. friend Mr. Smollett asserted that the *personnel* ought to be diminished; he maintained that it ought to be doubled, if you would secure economy and efficiency. In the Presidency of Bombay a man sometimes had the supervision of a district 150 miles in length and 50 or 60 in breadth, and it was impossible for him to exercise that minute control which was necessary where an engineer has to do with native contractors. Another effect of a weak *personnel* was that when the health of one man gave way an entire change was necessary. The new Superintendent did not know what his predecessor had done; the estimates were increased, and it took six or seven years to execute works which ought to have been completed in two or three years, with a great saving of expense. It was quite clear that the Board of Public Works in India did not deserve the unmitigated reproach cast upon it by the hon. member for Hackney. He now wished to make an explanation personal to himself. The hon. member (Mr. Fawcett) had referred to the very large expenditure connected with the Government Palace at Poona. The returns would be found in papers which had been laid upon the table. It was stated that he was responsible for that expenditure, but he wished to take that opportunity of stating that for the bulk of that expenditure he had no responsibility of any sort, kind, or description. The greater portion of the works was completed and occupied long before he received the appointment. As soon as he arrived in India he found that the works were being carried on without plan or estimates, and he ordered them to be stopped until plans and estimates were prepared. He was told that this could not be done because there were contracts which would be interfered with. He then insisted that estimates should be sent in, and the first representation made to the Secretary of State for India as to the enormous expenditure on these works was made by his direction within five or six months of his arrival in India. In saying this he did not wish to throw any responsibility upon his distinguished predecessor. All who knew him would agree that while he was liberal, not to say profuse, where the interests of the public required it, he would grudge the outlay of even a single rupee upon his own convenience or the dignity of his office. (Hear, hear.) It was only from the fact that his predecessor was just leaving India, and that he (Sir S. Fitzgerald) was not able to go up the country while these works were going on, that this large expenditure was incurred. He did not hesitate to state that a despatch more inaccurate and unjust than that of the late Secretary of State on this subject was never signed by any Minister of State. That despatch spoke of the large expenditures incurred, yet added that after it had been condemned that expenditure had been incurred by the Government of Bombay. That was wholly inaccurate. What happened was this:—Long before he went to India certain works that were not part of Government-house were in progress, giving accommodation to the clerks and persons in charge of the Military and Irrigation Departments. After this profuse expenditure had been the subject of remark, the Government of India ordered that a portion of the cost, which had been debited to the Military or Irrigation Department, should be written back and debited to the general scheme of Government-house. The papers were sent home to the Secretary of State. They were in his possession, and he was aware that this had been done by direction of the Government of India. Yet the late Secretary of State treated this as a new and unsanctioned expenditure. Pungent remarks had been made by the Press both in England and in India, and it was due to himself to ask permission to give this explanation. (Cheers.) It would be a great misfortune if the House did not allow the Secretary of State to increase the number of the Governor-General's Council, leaving the Governor-General to select out of that Council the Minister of Public Works, subject to that control which every other member would exercise except the members responsible for Law and Finance. It should not be forgotten that the largest portion of the expenditure had been forced upon the Government of India by public opinion at home, which demanded a large expenditure upon public works and irrigation in India. (Hear, hear.)

General Sir G. Balfour could not believe it to be wise or expedient that any member of the Council should have the independent power which this Bill gave to the new Minister of Public Works. The Governor-General ought to be able to look into every administrative department. So far from the Council of the Governor-General being increased, he would rather see it reduced, and definite duties and responsibilities imposed upon every member of that Council. The Board of Works had been exceedingly ill managed. The Governor-General had especially administered that Department himself, and its failure financially and professionally would not have been so long concealed if it had not been known that the Governor-General was at the head and entirely responsible for it. The opinion of such a vast amount of detailed responsibility should rest upon the Governor-General? Lord Mayo, who did his duty nobly and worked laboriously, complained of the amount and extent of the work. Yet at that time Lord Mayo had the assistance of a distinguished engineer officer in conducting the Public Works.

Mr. C. B. Denison said that this Bill had been before Parliament three months. The Secretary of State for India only came into office late in March, and the House ought to remember the circumstances which suggested the necessity of this Bill at so early a date. Important correspondence had been circulated, containing disclosures of grave acts of omission and commission in the Public Works Departments of all the Presidencies. It was the impression produced by these disclosures which had induced the Secretary of State to take the subject in hand. The military and civil expenditure of India had been brought thoroughly within control, but it was a melancholy fact that the Public Works Department had never been brought into the same satisfactory administration. It was, indeed, the weak point in our administration of India. Large sums of money had been raised by loan for so-called productive works, which were productive of nothing but disappointment. The people of India were never asked whether those works were likely to be productive or necessary, and the Government ought not to go on adding to the financial burdens of India without knowing where the money was to come from. He concurred with his hon. friend (Sir S. Fitzgerald) in thinking that if it were proposed by this Bill to nominate a member of the Council to control the Public Works as an administrative department it would be productive of good. If, however, he was to be a purely professional man who was to undertake large and vast works for India, his appointment would be the most fatal mistake ever committed in our administrative career. He ought to be completely subordinate to the Governor-General, and there should be no attempt to set him up as an independent authority. What was wanted was to keep the finances of India, so far from saying that the man they required could not be found in India. There was no analogy between the Minister of Public Works and the financier and the lawyer who were sent out to India with special knowledge of finance and law. What was wanted for this post was a man of action, possessing local knowledge, firmness, and enterprise; and such a man could be better found in India than in this country. He gave the Bill his cordial support, and he congratulated the noble Marquis (Salisbury) upon the wisdom and courage he had displayed—and he was sensible how much of the latter quality he needed—in bringing forward this measure. (Hear, hear.) He offered the Secretary of State for India his most cordial thanks for this Bill. (Hear, hear.)

Mr Grant Duff hoped he might be allowed to express his regret that the hon. gentleman (Sir S. Fitzgerald) had introduced the subject of the Government house at Poona without giving notice of his intention to do so.

Mr Disraeli—On the general question of this bill introduced to the consideration of the House by my noble friend the Under-Secretary of State for India in so complete a manner, and with ability so distinguished, that it has been recognized on both sides of the House (cheers) —I have very little to say, except that I hope there will be no division upon the second reading. Vast sums have been expended upon public works in India, and the unsatisfactory manner in which those vast sums have been expended has produced a very general opinion that some protection is requisite. I will only say that the last letter I received from Lord Mayo was upon this subject, to which, indeed, he had often adverted in his correspondence. And there was nothing upon which Lord Mayo insisted as more important and necessary to the administration of India than an appointment of this kind. One or two remarks have been made to which I should like to advert. The first was made by the hon. member for Hackney, who treated this Bill as a slight upon Lord Northbrook, who, he said, had passed through a great crisis with credit and distinction. I am perfectly aware of the conduct of Lord Northbrook during the trying crisis he has had to encounter, but when I come to consider the amount of support received by Lord Northbrook during that trying occasion, I do not think that the present Secretary of State for India can be looked upon as one who has been deficient in that respect, (Hear.) He has on the contrary, on every occasion, given that support to Lord Northbrook which a person holding his high position was entitled to receive from his colleagues. (Hear.) Therefore there has been no disposition on the part of the Secretary of State or his Council to be wanting in giving due support to Lord Northbrook. I may take it upon myself to say that before the formation of the present Government, upon an occasion when it was necessary I should express my opinion upon public affairs, I adverted to that great calamity which has occurred in India and I took that opportunity to do justice to the great qualities of Lord Northbrook, which we might have assumed those who had been connected with him by previous ties and similarity of opinion would have hastened to support. The hon. member for Hackney also said that this proposal would add enormously to the expenditure of India. Necessarily, it would add nothing to that expenditure, and that expression is therefore scarcely justified. Nor will any new scheme be added to those already matured and prepared. All the schemes which have been adverted to by the Secretary of State are entirely independent of his appointment, and have been decided upon without reference to it. My hon. friend the member for Horsham, whose opinions would always receive great consideration, has expressed an opinion that the Council ought to be increased, and that an engineer with special knowledge should be appointed. My right hon. friend admitted that there ought to be an addition to the Council, and as to the individual who might be appointed to the post, that is a matter which ought to be left to the Secretary of State in communication, as he now is, with the Viceroy. The Secretary of State will not, of course, be determined absolutely by the opinion of the Viceroy, but he will weigh that opinion, and before he makes a final decision will communicate it to the Viceroy. The hon. member for the West Riding objects to the proposal as setting up a new independent authority. I do not see in what light the appointment proposed by the Under-Secretary in this Bill can be looked upon as establishing a new independent authority. The Viceroy of India must be supreme in his own Council, and no one for a moment questions that this is a principle upon which the safe administration of our affairs in India entirely depends. I think the general tone of this debate has been decidedly in favour of the policy recommended by the Under-Secretary. There are, no doubt, objections to details; but there seems a general concurrence of opinion that the vast expenditure upon public works in India should be controlled in a more direct and responsible manner than has hitherto been the case. There seems to be a general opinion that an increase in the Council is justified under the circumstances, though there may be a difference of opinion as to the sort of person who ought to be intrusted with this particular duty. And there seems also to be a general concurrence in the House that it is time for the Home Government to take some decided step which should control and secure a better administration of the general expenditure of India upon public works. (Hear, hear.)

The House divided, and the numbers were—

For the second reading	171
Against	52
Majority	119

The Bill was then read a second time.

On the motion that Friday next be fixed for the Committee,

Mr. Fawcett, referring to the personal explanation of the right hon. member for Horsham, said when he alluded to the expenditure of the money in question, he mentioned no names, because in discussing such a subject he thought it was better not to do so. He was, however, challenged on the point, and then he mentioned, not the right hon. gentleman's name, but that of his predecessor, as the person who was Governor of Bombay when the expenditure commenced. An hon. gentleman, however, soon after came down to the House and said that the right hon gentleman's predecessor was not in Bombay during any portion of the time that the expenditure was made. Of course, he accepted that assurance. He hoped, however, the right hon. gentleman would do him the justice to admit that there was nothing inaccurate in his figures. Nothing was further from his intention than to cast any personal blame upon any one who did not deserve it.

The Committee on the Bill was fixed for Friday, at 2 o'clock.

GERMAN INTERVENTION IN SPAIN.

(TIMES' CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Wednesday, July 29.

THE German paper are full of Spain, and there is no longer any doubt that a squadron is proceeding to the coast of that country to seek an opportunity of retaliating upon the Carlists for the murder of Capt. Schmidt. There is no probability of troops being landed; but, without proceeding so far as that, the presence of an active little naval force on the north coast of Spain may be of considerable service to the Republicans and very troublesome to the Carlists. In the first civil war Lord John Hay, with the North Star, the Phœnix, the Salamander, and one or two other vessels, was able to do much harm to the insurgents, and if the Germans now send a similar force it is naturally with the intention of availing themselves of opportunities which may occur of thwarting Carlist movements and of cannonading Carlist troops when they come within range.

The *Magdeburgh Gazette* says it has learnt from a trustworthy source that the German Government recently despatched a note to the great Powers urging joint action for the repression of Spanish atrocities, and that a favourable reply was returned by Austria-Russia, it adds, has also accepted such intervention in principle, and Lord Derby's speech is regarded as an indirect answer to the circular.

The semi-official *Presse* of this evening applauds Lord Derby's speech and deprecates foreign intervention in Spain. European troops, it urges, are not an International Gendarmerie charged with police duties in the various countries of the Continent. To Spain alone appertains the maintenance of order on its own territory. The different parties in the Peninsula are unanimous in recognizing this fact. Not one of them would summon the foreigner on to Spanish soil in order to secure the triumph of any principle or pretender. It is one of the most cherished traditions of Spain to manage her own affairs and energetically repel any foreign interference. The Spanish American Republics share that feeling, and the recent example of Mexico shows what even the best-intentioned Powers incur in mixing in other people's affairs. The principle of non-intervention, moreover, is one of the chief principles of modern International Law. We are no longer in the time of the Holy Alliance, and nobody can seriously think of a collective agreement with the view of imposing on Spain any particular form of Government. After remarking that an effective surveillance of the frontier requires the daily co-operation of Marshal Serrano's agents, the *Presse* insists that France has never recognized the Carlists, either formally or practically, as belligerents, and that if Germany sends a cruiser to the coast, no French vessel will be found incriminated.

The inactivity of the Spanish fleet is extraordinary. For some time past it has not been heard of. It allows contraband of war to be run under its very nose. The landing of 27 guns at Bermeo, at first discredited, seems likely to have occurred, although they were light mountain pieces, instead of heavy Krupps. All those small ports on the northern coast which are well known for the facilities they afford for the landing of supplies are entirely neglected. There should be a small blockading force at the mouth of the Bidassoa and armed boats patrolling the river. It seems as if the Spanish Navy were either mistrusted by the Government, and consequently not employed, or else that it is disaffected and resolved to render no real service. It will be interesting to observe how the German naval officers will set to work to supply the place of the permanent national forces. The Carlist organs begin to busy themselves with sneering at the German Navy, and threatening with Schmidt's fate all the Prussians whom the troops of the Pretender may find among their prisoners. But, in reality, they are uneasy at a demonstration which may lead to more decided intervention on the part, not of one but of several European nations, and they doubtless in their hearts deplore the act of uncalled-for and unprofitable cruelty which has brought it on. Letters from Madrid cast some doubt upon the alleged slaughter in cold blood of 160 Republican prisoners, who had for some time been detained at Olot in Catalonia. But there is none as to the atrocities committed in Cuenca. The evidence received from various sources is concordant in branding the conduct of the Carlists. It appears that Don Alphonso's band is composed, for the greater part, of peasants from the Provinces of Valencia and Castille, leavened by a smaller number of adventurers and cutthroats, attracted by the prospect of plunder, and coming none know whence, bloodthirsty brigands of no political creed and of various nationalities who are not to be compared as regards respectability with the Carlists of the Basque Provinces and Navarre. These latter fight for a cause, less perhaps for Don Carlos than for their *fueros*, or privileges, but still they have convictions. A letter in to-night's *Temps* says:—

"What the fugitives from Cuenca relate is hardly credible. In all the streets the trumpets sounded '*Deguello y saqueo*,' literally throatcutting and sack. When a detachment was about to invade a house, they drew lots as to who should enter first, and they went in four by four, seizing the furniture, burning, stealing women's dresses, insulting and maltreating the inmates, assassinating whoever was found hidden or gave signs of resistance. At the moment when one of the witnesses I have fallen in with, a Frenchman, quitted the ravaged town to come here, three or four days after the catastrophe, about 60 dead bodies had been found not dressed in uniform, and some of which were so mutilated that their own relations did not recognize them. It was expected that others would be found under the ruins of the fallen houses, and it was known that a certain number of *emplegés* had been killed in the Government House and in the Hotel de Ville previously to the fire which destroyed the whole interior of those buildings and all the archives. When the perpetrators of all these horrors left Cuenca, they were followed by a long line of carts foal of booty."

The Lyons Decentralisation brings a special telegram to the effect that the Carlist official journal of the 22rd published a letter from Don Carlos deploring the conduct of Cabrera, who has not changed his attitude since the Vevey meeting, and saying that the veteran, mutilated in defending the Royal cause, ought to ask pardon and accept the Royal justice. The meaning of this is not very obvious, but it may have reference to the declaration recently attributed to Cabrera that he disapproved the barbarous acts allowed by the Carlist General.

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THE FRENCH ASSEMBLY.

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THE French Assembly has enjoyed three important Debates and as many Divisions within a few days. The proposition of M. CASIMIR-PERIER for the interpretation of the Septennate in a Republican sense has failed, the discussion of the Constitutional Laws has been postponed until after the Recess, and now the long-threatened motion for the Dissolution of the Assembly has been made and rejected. The Assembly has decided, first, that it will not impress a definite character on the French State, and, secondly, that it will take its time in erecting the political machinery thought to be indispensable in all societies. In both of these decisions it has had the countenance and the skilful support of the Government. Nothing could be more opportune and effective than the appearances of General de Cissey and General Chabaud Latour to give an official reason for doing what the Majority was inclined to do. The result was that the Assembly, as on all-important occasions during the present Session, took refuge in inaction. The Deputies left things as they were, and we are bound to say that a large part of the public have encouraged them in the opinion that they could not have done better. But this view could not be general, and the votes of the Assembly naturally roused the advocates of a Dissolution. These asserted more passionately than ever what every one is beginning to admit—that no organization of the State, and, indeed, no Constitutional Laws, are to be expected, from the distracted body which is now gathered at Versailles. The Assembly had evaded every declaration of principle, not out of any politic preference for Provisional Government as the best fitted to actual circumstances, but from sheer inability to agree. Marshal MacMahon and his personal Septennate were but the refuge for their incapacity. Among the more zealous spirits of the Assembly, whether Conservatives or Liberals, the impulse quickened to be rid of a Legislature which is the incarnation of feebleness, and to appeal to the country. The motion for a Dissolution became the political topic of the hour; its promoters displayed a new activity, and received assurances of support from the discontented of all parties. The subject was to be brought on at once. Indeed, it was necessary to be prompt, for the Assembly, whatever its other hesitations, had made up its mind to escape from Versailles as soon as possible, and the best planned assault might be evaded by a sudden adjournment.

The Dissolutionists lost no time, and they succeeded in bringing the matter fully before the Assembly. Their arguments were heard not for the first time. They have been narrated from the journals, both French and foreign, and in the speeches of Deputies. As each successive phase of politics had shown the weakness of the Assembly, the reasons for Dissolution have been urged in every tone of impatience and indignation. On the eve of the debate they were summarized in a Report drawn up by M. Max-Richard in the name of the Twenty-ninth Commission of Parliamentary Initiative. The occasion of this Report was the proposition of M. Raoul Duval for a General Election to be held on the 25th of August next. The reasons given by the author of this proposition were highly practical. He urged that the division of opinions which exists and manifests itself every day in the Assembly does not permit the hope that it will be able to constitute a definitive Government strong enough to cause itself to be respected by the partisans of the different political systems which have succeeded each other in France. This state of uncertainty does not permit the country to work so as to repair the losses it has undergone. Unoccupied capital seeks the cellars of the Bank or is engaged on speculations at short date on the Bourse, thus proving that no mercantile man will engage in any line of operation, that the shipowner will not venture on any enterprise, not knowing what will be the political state of the country when the merchandise which he receives in exchange shall reach the soil of France. From the Report it appeared that the proposal of Dissolution was combated by arguments equally practical. It was objected by the minority of the Commission that the division of opinion which manifests itself daily in the Assembly exists in the same degree in the country; that general elections would in all probability replace the actual Assembly by another the members of which would be not less divided in opinion; that the langour or stagnation which prevails in commercial and industrial affairs, and the general uneasiness which results from it, cannot be entirely attributed to the uncertainty of the political regime, since other nations, provided with political institutions perfectly defined, suffer at the present moment from an evil of the same nature.

We give this summary of the arguments on either side from the Commission's Report, since it was on those lines that the discussion in the Assembly itself chiefly proceeded. Whether the hesitations and inaction of the Assembly have caused the stagnation in commercial affairs, and whether the election of a more decisive character would invigorate, will cause the tide to flow more freely, was the difficult theme which Deputy after Deputy approached. Another important subject in the discussion naturally was the probability of the Assembly doing anything useful in the case in which it should be spared. Here again, the Report of M. Max-Richard gave a sharp impetus to the Debate. That gentleman and his friends of the Commission are evidently very sceptical on the point. They call attention to those little incidents of the present month which, as we observed last week, have brought to an end the Assembly's honeymoon from politics in weariness and despair. On the 9th of July Marshal MacMahon, as President of the French Republic, reminded the Assembly in a pressing manner of its promise made to him when it invested him with power, and he claimed the prompt execution of that promise. The Assembly assented with alacrity. This favourable reception of the Message had left no doubt in the Assembly or the country that a definitive solution of the most urgent questions of the day, by the Assembly in the case, only one feeling could have arrested the Assembly in the accomplishment of its task, and dictated to it the adjournment of all discussion of the Constitutional laws. That sentiment must be a consciousness of its own inability to form a majority on any one essential point of these laws. The argument is hardly effective, but nine-tenths of the Deputies would be ready to admit its substantial truth. But in the French Assembly, as in all other legislative bodies, votes do not necessarily follow convictions. Whatever their views as to the object in view, the majority of the Deputies remained constant to their faith in the Bordeaux Assembly. The Government once more stood forth to confirm the waverers. General Chabaud Latour declared his conviction that the Assembly would redeem the pledge it had given to settle the Constitution. He bade the Deputies separate to take their usual vacation. He advised them to consult the country during the Recess, and then return to pass such laws as should give the Marshal additional strength, and calm the agitation of the country. The proposition was rejected—not by a very large Majority, but still by one which shows that as long as the Assembly has Marshal MacMahon on its side the efforts of the Dissolutionists must fail. Everything is now at an end for some months to come, and then the Assembly will be once more on its trial. Till it is called together France will be administered by the Chief of the State controlled by traditions in default of institutions. The result of eight months of controversies and intrigues is, as regards legislation, a blank; and the Septennate, the earliest creation of the Session, remains its only one. Has the time, then, been wholly lost? Not so, for Marshal MacMahon's authority, though neither organized nor endowed with a definite name and character by the Assembly, has been developed by the influence of events, which have produced large and rapid modifications. We do not quite know, and we will not attempt to guess, the precise dynastic sympathies and the precise views of policy at home and abroad which qualified Marshal MacMahon on the 20th of November last. But there can be no doubt that his Government was vehemently suspected by the Liberals of France, and looked upon with distrust even in foreign countries. These causes of disquietude have become one by one removed, and the Republicans themselves admit that the prospects of the Septennate are more hopeful. Italy has been reassured and her good-will is likely to be regained by a repudiation of the Ultramontane designs. The clerical agitators at home have been rebuked, the Legitimists have been warned in the most effective manner that they have nothing to hope from the present authority in France, and, lastly, the Imperialists, who were supposed to have succeeded to the influence which the rival Dynasty were losing, find the Government strong enough to hold out a helping hand to them, if they lend it. All this has been done as if by fatality, and without the intention and the consciousness of its authors, and it shows that though definite institutions may be in abeyance, there is a healing and transforming power in the nation itself.

THE GOODWOOD CUP.

THURSDAY, July 30.

ELEVEN races recall the days of Harkaway and Lord George, the palmy times of Goodwood, when it had cast aside its provincial garments and taken first rank among race meetings. About a round dozen of events each day was then the rule, and with Lord George Bentinck's immense stud on the spot there was no difficulty in getting fields. Latterly we have been content with a more modest programme, and the 11 races of to day look just a little too much for the bustle and excitement of the Cup festival.

For the Goodwood Thursday keeps up its traditions as far as crowds and company are concerned. It is emphatically a Sussex holiday for all ranks and degrees, and up the hill to the course came county families, stout yeomen and their belongings, the seaboard population added to by Brighton, Bognor, and Worthing visitors, and that large London contingent whom the cares of politics or business still keep in town. The Crown Prince and Princess of Prussia came over from the Isle of Wight and joined their relatives at the House, and there were many additions to the throng of well-known names and faces on the lawn. The Prince and Princess of Wales, accompanied by the Crown Prince of Prussia and the Duchess of Manchester, arrived on the course just previous to the first race, and at that time the *coup d'œil* of lawn and stand presented its usual brilliant Cup-Day aspect.

The first event was a walk over for La Coureuse. The Visitors' Plate ought to have been easily handled by Caro, seeing that Kidbrooke had much the worst of the start—was nearly left at the post in fact; but Clay managed to make up his lost ground, and coming with one determined rush in the last 200 yards, caught Glover on Caro napping, and made a dead heat of it, which was not run off, Sir George Chetwynd and Mr Payne agreeing to divide. Mirliflor, a son of Soapstone and the speedy Beauty, we thought, when we saw him in the July, would win a race on an early day, and here in the rich Prince of Wales's Stakes he beat Garterly Bell, the Rigolboche colt, and five others very cleverly. Fordham waiting with him until opposite the stand, when he had not much trouble in overhauling Lord Falmouth's colt. The 7lb. penalty most effectually stopped Telescope, on whom odds of 5 to 2 were laid, in the Molecomb, the good-looking Craig Millar cantering in. After this came the great business of luncheon, and then the Cup.

Half a dozen runners of some name and fame was much better than was expected a fortnight or three weeks ago. The Ascot Cup has generally a bad effect on the Goodwood races, and perhaps it would in the long run be a safe thing to lay against the Ascot winner for the Goodwood event directly he passed the post. The disappearance of King Lud and Boisrd from the scene and the absence of Apology were to be regretted, but as John Scott used to say it was an impossibility to prepare a horse for Goodwood Cup and Leger, the absence of the last was to be expected. The field was not quite unworthy of Cup memories, and Doncaster, the winner of the Derby, and second for the Leger; Kaiser, one of the truest running horses ever foaled; and Organist, the Chester Cup winner, were the trio between whom the race, by common agreement, lay. Doncaster was decidedly favourite, and Organist had the call of Kaiser, who had hit his leg the previous day in a gallop, and there were disquieting rumours about him pointing to his not starting but the injury was very trifling, and he came to the front in picture of condition. There was no difficulty in selecting him and Doncaster as the two gentlemen of the lot, and Organist looked a commoner by their side. Doncaster had thickened and grown into a grand specimen of a racehorse. He had to give Kaiser 7lb., but said a good judge of racing, as they were paraded past the stand, "He always was 9lb. the better horse of the two, and we shall see it proved to-day." If this was true, and the result so made it, Doncaster had 2lb. in hand, a small margin, but sufficient to turn the scale. Lillian was started to make the running for Kaiser, which she did, attended by Organist and Barbillon to the turn, when Organist took second place. There was not much change in their positions until coming up the hill Organist was beaten, and soon after Barbillon retiring, the issue was left to Doncaster and Kaiser, who came up the straight from the bottom of the hill together, and which had the best of it was, for a few moments, hard to say. It was a good race, but Doncaster stayed a little the longest, winning, amid great cheering, by a neck.

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Mr. Merry's Doncaster, by Stockwell—Marigold, 4 yrs, 9st. 3lb. (Webb) 1
Mr. Savile's Kaiser, 4 yrs, 8st. 10lb. (Maidment) ... 2
Mr. Lefevre's Miss Toto, 3 yrs, 7st. 11lb (Major)... ... 3
Duke of Hamilton's Barbillon (bred in France), 5 yrs, 9st. (Custance) 0
Mr. Savile's Lilian, 5 yrs, 8st. 11lb. (Hammond) ... 0
Mr. R. O. Vyner's Organist, 3 yrs, 7st. 7lb. (Griffiths)... 0

Betting.—2 to 1 agst Doncaster, 5 to 2 agst Organist, 3 to 1 agst Kaiser, 7 to 1 agst Barbillon, and 25 to 1 each agst Lilian and Miss Toto. The half-dozen runners having paraded past the Stand, were despatched at the first attempt, when Lilian, for the purpose of making a pace for her stable companion, rushed to the front, and made running at a strong pace, closely attended by Barbillon,